Prague pledge to defend socialism in **Poland**

The Eastern block will not remain impassive if any threat develops to Poland's socialist system, Dr Gustav Husak, the Czechoslovak leader, said at the Prague party congress yesterday. He forcibly restated the "Brezhnev doctrine", used to justify the 1968 invasion of Czechoslavakia, that protection of socialism concerned all socialist states.

Dr Husak reaffirms **Brezhnev doctrine**

Prague, April 6.—Dr Gustav only the concern of each Husak, leader of the Czecho-socialist state, but also the slovak Communist Party, opened joint concern of the states o the party congress today with the socialist community, which a warning that the Soviet block are determined to defend their a warning that the Soviet Glock are acted that the socialist while the communist system achievements of their people." while the communist system in neighbouring Poland was

With the presence of President Leonid Brezhnev of the Soviet Union adding weight to his words. Dr Husak restated the Brezhnev doctrine of limited sovereignty which was used to justify the Warsaw Pact inva-sion of Czechoslovakia in 1968 which ended the short-lived liberalization of the "Prague

President Brezhnev, who arrived unexpectedly yesterday at the head of the Soviet delegation, was met with prolonged applause as he entered the con-

Acknowledging that Czecho-slovaks were following events across the burder with disquiet, Dr Husak said: "The fact that the political crisis in Poland is still continuing and intensi-fying fills us all the more with

He said a recent Polish Cen-ral Committee meeting had emphasized that anti-socialist ind counter-revolutionary forces (the phrase used to condemn he Prague spring) were causing marchy and threatening the oundations of socialism.

Dr Husak said that communist munity if anyone tried to use events in Poland to stir up

He echoed the "Brezhnev toctrine" by saying: "All who tre attempting to misuse the events in Poland for instigatng anti-socialist campaigns randpoint that the protection f the socialist system is not

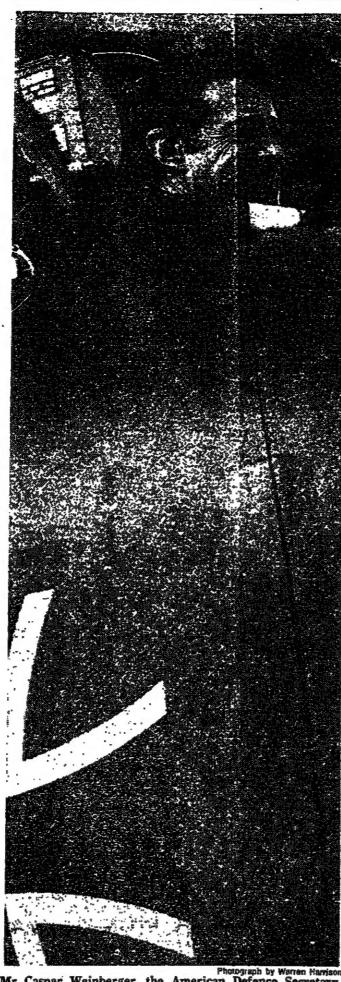
the socialist community, which

In a long passage on trade unions, important in view of developments in Poland, Dr Husak said their work needed a sensitive and differentiated approach to people. - Reuter. Dutch protest : The small Dutch Communist Party has recalled its delegate to the Prague congress in protest at Dr Husak's remarks about Poland (Reuter reports from Amsterdam). A spokesman said the Dutch party and other Communist parties abroad" resented comparisons between the situation in Poland and those in Czechoslovakia in 1968 and Hungary in 1956.

Confidence lost: Since the

plenary session of the Polish Central Committee, Moscow and its East European allies seem to have lost confidence in the Polish leadership's handling of the situation (Deasa Trevisan writes from Belgrade). Even Romania is showing no understanding for the Polish case, though it still professes to be opposed to intervention. But now it expects the Polish authorities to use their own repressive measures, for if

Poland was successful in carrying democratization farther ofield it would set an attractive example throughout the communist world. Hungary, of all the Warsaw Pact countries, has shown some restraint and until recently it took a sympathetic attitude. Lately, however, there have been critical undertones concerning the way the Polish leadership is making conces-



Mr Caspar Weinberger, the American Defence Secretary, in the cockpit of a Tornado at RAF Cottesmore yesterday. Report, page 6

US is 'seriously concerned' by Soviet threat

'rom David Cross Yashington, April 6

The United States was seriously concerned about the reatening military propounds posture adopted by the priet Union towards Poland, a

ate Department spokesman id today. But Washington did not lieve Sovier intervention was ely in the immediate fut-e.". Asked what he meant by mmediate", the spokesman sponded: "Look down the id for a few days."

The spokesman also disclosed it the Administration was w assessing whether intensid military exercises by the tream Pact nations in and ound Poland involved more of 25,000 men. If they did, soviet Union would be in each of the terms of the Isinki agreement on Eastest relations, which require or notification of large-scale

litary manoeuvers. Notwithstanding the legal re-frements of the Helsinki treaty, the spokesman said: "it certainly would have helped to reduce tensions" if the Soviet Union had provided notifica-tion of the manoeuvres to Washington.

" Most important", he added, "the Soviets are acting con-trary to the final Act principles which prohibit the threat or use of force and intervention in the internal affairs of other countries."

In a forther indication of Washington's deep concern, President Reagan has sent a toughly-phrased letter to President Brezhnev, the Russian

any Soviet intervention would disrupt all future arms nego-

leader.

The letter, which was sent on Friday night after a week of intensified military activities by Warsaw Pact forces in and around Poland, was said to have warned Moscow that

tiations talks "totally".

However, according to well-informed officials here, the letter did not spell out exactly how the United States and its

The Russians will tolerate anything tolerate except a democratic

allies intended to retaliate in the event of a Russian invasion. British action: Mrs Margaret Thatcher, in a letter sent to President Brezhnev before he left for Prague, was said yesterday to have reemphasized the

European Community's concern that the Polish people be left to decide their own affairs (Our

Political Editor writes).

Downing Street declined to publish the text of the letter, but informed accounts suggested that it had been more of a restatement of Britain's position regarding Mr Brezhnev's pro-posals on East-West relations rather than a new warning to the Soviet Union to keep its It appeared that the British
Government had been taken by
surprise by the Warsaw Pact

talks. Mrs Thatcher's remarks about Poland were confined to a brief passage at the end of the letter, although it was said that Poland was in the fore-front of her concern.

Sterling falls: Mounting fears about the Polish situation sent sterling crashing on the foreign exchange markets, falling 31 cents to close at \$2.169, its lowest level for almost a year. (The pound plunges, page 17.) Hardliners' only hope, page 6 links between President's health, page 6 South Africa.

Budget tax rise lifts wholesale prices

By David Blake

Budget tax increases helped Budget tax increases helped to push up factory gate prices by 1½ per cent in March. Coupled with a sharp increase in the price which manufacturers had to pay for their raw materials and fuel—the result of a drop in the value of the pound—the figures produced an upturn in the rate of wholesale price inflation over the past six months.

But officials at the Department of Industry hope that the

ment of Industry hope that the setback is temporary. The Department of Trade has issued figures which suggest issued figures which suggest that hire purchase and other credit business rose slightly in February from its low January level. The figures confirm that retail sales in February fell back slightly from the January level but were higher than in any mouth of 1980.

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Roughly three-quarters of the increase in output prices charged by manufacturers in March was accounted for by higher duties on tobacco and driok. These Excise duties are included in wholesale prices. included in wholesale prices and the March figures reflect only part of the full impact of Sir Geoffrey Howe's, actions, since the higher duties did not take effect until after his Bud-ger on March 10. The increase in value-added

tax will be directly reflected in retail price figures but will not show up in wholesale prices.

The underlying rate of increase in output prices over the past six months went up to an annual rate of 10.5 per cent. This is the first time that the underlying rate of wholesale inflation has been in double figures since September last year. The underlying rate bottomed out at 5.9 per cent last December.

Because the underlying rate moves more slowly in response to swings in any month the annual rate in March fell again

to 101 per cent.
The underlying rate of inrate underlying rate of in-crease of input prices, which measure what industry has to pay for the goods it uses, rose for the fifth successive month in March to reach an annual rate of 15.3 per cent.

S Africa in 'gems deal' with Russia By Michael Prest

De Beers, the South African diamond producer, and the Soviet Union had a top secret contract under which De Beers sold most of Russia's diamond output, it was alleged last night. This agreement had broken lown and a new one was said

to have been under discussion. The allegation, made in Panarama, the BBC television programme, was part of an investigation into what were claimed to be close commercial links on gold, platinum and diamonds between South Africa and the Soviet Union.

and the Soviet Umon.

A senior De Beers spokesman, however, has denied the existence of any such agreement. He said in London last night: "If there is an agreement I would certainly know that it?"

The BBC programme claimed that meetings had taken place between top Soviet foreign trade officials and senior executrade officials and senior executives of De Beers and Anglo American, one of the world's biggest gold and platinum producers, including Mr Harry Oppenheimer, chairman of the two companies. The sighting in Moscow last year of Mr Gordon Waddell, an executive director Waddell, an executive director of Angle American, was also

Mr Vladimir Bykov, the Deputy Soviet Ambassador in London, denied there were any links between his country and

Race plea helped stop **Bristol riot retrial**

The Director of Public Prosecutions said that an important factor in his decision not to

of racial harmony in Bristol. Mr Brian Weigh, the Chief Constable, said that "the need factor in his decision not to pursue charges against the remaining four defendants in the Bristol riot trial was advice he had received from the Chief Constable of Somerset and Avon concerning the promotion four defendants.

Constable, said that "the need is to look forward with confidence, and not to dwell on the past". At the recent trial eight people were acquitted of riotous assembly and the jury Constable of Somerset and Avon concerning the promotion four defendants.

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on Labour NEC

by mobilizing the moderate

vote at the party conference in October. The union leaders are to meet in secret before

Navy badly hit by

strike, unions say

Civil Service union leaders claim industrial action is caus-ing major disruption to intelli-

gence gathering and to the operations of the Navy. Unions

have called out 500 staff in key computer and supply areas, which they say restrict the Navy servicing warships and submarines Page 2

Drawing in sale

A drawing to be offered for sale today by Christie's and

catalogued as a work of the Florentine Renaissance, with

an estimated value of £10,000 to £15,000, is suspected of being a fake by leading dealers and

suspected fake

Easter

Conflict at disco Drive to oust left inferno inquiry

The judicial inquiry into the Stardust discotheque blaze in Dublin, which killed 48 young people, heard of conflicting evidence over whether the Right-wing union leaders are planning to overturn the left majority on the Labour Party's National Executive Committee club's emergency exit doors were locked. Counsel for the four-man tribunal said the fire on St Valentine's night this year, in which 160 people tear, in which 100 people were injured, was an inferno. Furni-ture materials may have con-tributed to the deaths Page 4

Rivals challenge Trident TV

A rival group is challenging Trident Television's attempt to change the ownership of Yorkshire Television, its present subsidiary, to meet the demands of the Independent Broadcasting Authority, which meets on Thursday. The IBA will discuss two possible structures for the new group, one formulated by Trident and the other by the rivals, whose identity remains secret Page 3

Israeli warning over Lebanon

As fighting between the Arab peace-keeping forces and right wing militias in Beirut and the Christian town of Zahle entered its sixth day, the chances of foreign intervention in Lebanon increased. Israeli aircraft flew over Beirut apparently as a warning of possible intervention if fighting continues Page 7

Census collection nearly over

The vast operation of collecting completed census forms from Britain's 20 million households is nearly over, and the complex work of translating the replies work of translating the replies sonal, page 24; Appointments, into statistical information will 11, 22; Legal appointments, 22; soon begin Page 2 Sale room and antiques, 22

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Playwright Pope goes into the film **business**

From Peter Nichols Rome, April 6

The Pope is to go into films, or at least a film is to be made of one of his plays, it has been announced here. The play is entitled The Jeweller's Shop and is a study of marriage. It was written by the Pope 21 years ago, when he was auxiliary Bishop in Krakow, He published it under the pseu-donym of Andrezej Jawien and he production company, Inter-

linea Cinematografica, insisted today that they chose to film it because of its "great artistict and human value". No doubt it helped that the play's author is the best-known Pope in modern times.

The play was received respectfully here when it was broadcast on Rome's Third Programme and the notices for a BBC version were not at all

A dramatic reading of the script was recently given in Italian in the presence of the august author himself and he was seen to applaud warmly; not the play, it was pointed out at the time, but the efforts of

the actors.

The Pope was a respected actor before he decided to give his life to the priesthood.

Students of his technique can study it at leisure with the now numerous gramophoue records issued of him singing or celebrating Mass. One tape Pope Live At Pompeii!"

And a film is also being made of his life. One begins to sympathize with the accor who complains in press interviews what a problem it is to impersonate the Pope.

No less a man of the theatre than Jean Louis Barrault in his preface to the French edition of the play said that it "eman

ates a profound poetry". The film version will be made both for the cinema and television.

The Pope, has, of course, also

published volumes of verse which are fundamentally an

expression of his philosophical

views on human dignity.

Today the Pope did what

might be called a certain toughing up behind the scenes by receiving the 23 delegates of the staff association at Vatican City which represents 1,500 lay

They have for some months been calling for better pay and conditions. Some of them had

heen disappointed with the Pope's apparent unconcern

about their difficulties.

some experts From actor to subject of film North Sea disaster: Three oil hiography, the Pope now enters the field of writers whose work rigs are to be modified after the Keilland capsize 2 has been adapted for the cinema.

Mountbatten meeting: Mrs The play is a study of three marriages. One is a successful marriage, another is founder-Thatcher makes no comment on alleged coup plot ing and the third is difficult

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Apart from acting and writing, this unusually experienced Business features: Pourick Min-ford argues that the 354 economist critics of the Government are npe has also been a worker, after all.

New Premier

sonal realm.

Brussels, April 6. — King Baudouin today appointed Mr Mark Eyskens, the Finance Minister, as Belgiam's Frime Minister. Mr Eyskens scems increasingly likely to he able to reform a Christian Democrat and Socialist coalition Government.

Whitehall housekeeping ittacked by audit chief

Peter Hennessy

liting criticism of Whitel's failure to maintain an is tailure to maintain an inuate standard of good isekeeping in its activities or acceptable stewardship of ur £60,000m of public money lisperses annually, was made a memorandum published terday by Sir Douglas Hen-Comptroller and Auditor teral. Parliament's watchdog spending and efficiency.

this report to the Commons or Committee of Public ounts on Internal Audit in tral Government, Sir Dougsaid that its overall stan-was substantially lower it should be, with an most universal absence of adequate capability to audit puter-based systems." enior civil servants were icized for failing to appre-e the potential benefits of efficient audit system. Sir glas directed his remarks at lajority of departments but ined to name the guilty or

he Government has begun ake remedial action in rense to Sir Douglas's memo-Jum. A thoroughgoing reinternal audit procee is under way, supervised ir Ian Bancroft, Head of the ne Civil Service, and Siriglas Wass, Permanent Secry to the Treasury.

r Anthony Rawlinson, and Permament Secretary to Treasury, and Sir John beca, Second Permament

Department, accepted the main thrust of Sir Douglas's criticisms in their appearance yesterday before the public

accounts committee.
Sir. Anthony would not agree, however, that top civil servants in all departments had neglected internal audit and cited the Ministry of Defence as an example.

Sir Douglas found a "general lack of professionalism" among civil servants working on internal audit. Sir John told the com-mittee that 47 qualified accoun-tants worked on the subject in 11 departments; 20 more departments had no accoun-tants engaged on internal audit.

Sir Douglas said that most main accounting systems in government were now computer-based and a capability for undertaking computer audit was essential. Sir John said the Civil Service Street of a file. Civil Service possessed six offi-cials qualified in both account-ancy and computing.

The Treasury and Civil Service Department witnesses told the committee they welcomed the report. Sir Douglas proposed a num

ber of remedies for the defi-ciencies he had uncovered. The most important was a "general recognition of the potential role of internal audit and new staff-ing arrangements" for the unit. Progress on those would clear the way for general improve-

£200m scheme saves BR's 'iron cathedral'

By David Hewson British Rail will announce today that it intends to proceed with the £200m redevelopment of Liverpool Street and Broad Street stations in one of the largest property schemes in London in recent years.

The plan provides for the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street's western train shed and

the adjoining southern nave and transept to be preserved.

When BR announced its plans, including demolition of the hotel in 1975, they pro-

the hotel in 1975, they produced a spirited correspondence in The Times in which Sir John Berjeman and others, opposed the redevelopment. In a letter the opponents described Liverpool Street's trainsheds as "a cast-iron cathedral of the railway age ", and praised Broad Street's "French Renaissance twin mansard pevilions, spac-ious booking hall, and elegant Florentine stairway.

Passengers using Liverpool
Street, which serves East
Anglia, Essex and suburban
areas east of Loudon, have been
less impressed than the Poer

Last year the Transport Users' Consultative Committee for London was full of praise for the station's Europa Bistro

but described the terminus itself as "somewhat decrepit". BR's property board appears to have solved tax problems which has threatened to sink the development for the past TWO YESTS. The scheme, which will take eight to 10 years to complete, involves the construction of a new station, 1.2 million sq ft of Liverpool Street's 'cast-iron cathedral of the railway age'. offices, 30,000 sq ft of shops, it was learnt that development

and track improvements as far as Bethual Green.

The property board still has to return to the City of London Corporation and Hackney.
Borough Council for detailed planning consent for the scheme, but this is not expected

to create any difficulties.
Outline planning permission
was only granted after a
lengthy public inquiry and considerable modification of BR's
initial clause. initial plans.
BR first formulated its plans for redeveloping Liverpool Street in the early 1970s and received outline planning per-mission for the scheme two

years ago. But it came close to cancelling the project when

However, recent discussions

It is understood that BR

approached the Treasury and

asked for some form of exemp-tion from development land tax to enable the scheme to go ahead profitably. The Treasury land tax could change the scheme from a highly profit-able one for BR into a loss. Initially it was thought that pointed out a clause in las years Finance Act which allowed BR to apply to the Inland Revenue for an advance assessment of how much tax it would be liable to pay on the whole development the tax would apply only to the commercial office and shops part of the development, Station and track improvement costs, which account for about whole development. half the £200m, would not have been offset against the tax.

This means that the profit liable for tax will be greatly with the Treasury and Inland Revenue have led BR to believe that the commercial and railway sides of the development will be treated as an integral scheme. reduced by the inclusion of the reilway operation costs. BR had said earlier that the inclu-sion of the railway works in the final equation could make the difference between 40 per cent of the final value being liable for tax and 90 per cent.



Unions aim to loosen grip of Labour left

Right-wing union leaders aim-ing to block Mr Wedgwood Renn's attempt to gain the deputy leadership of the Labour Party have widened their political campaign to encompass the party's national executive com-

The "new right" caucus in the labour movement is planning to overturn the left majority on the NEC by mobilizing the moderate vote in an un-precedented manner at the October party conference.

Union leaders who attended the Charing Cross hotel talks that established the anti-militant coalition after the Wembley special conference are to meet again before Easter for fresh

The agenda has been exten-ded to take in an all-out effort to dislodge left-wingers from their 17 to 12 majority on the national executive. "That is what it is all about" one of the moderate union leaders said last night

After the publicity surrounding the founding meeting of the caucus, some general secre-taries came in for strong criticism in their unions, so the date and place of the next round of

and place of the next round of talks is being kept secret. But it is reliably said to be within the next 10 days.

Chief targets of the proposed pursch are Miss Joan Maynard, MP, Mrs Renée Short, Mr Douglas Hoyle, of the Association of Scientific Technical and Managerial Staffs, and Mr Remard Dix denuty general Bernard Dix. deputy general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees.

All are regarded as left-

wingers whose removal through union influence would shift the balance of power in favour of

outcome of the intense manoeuvring going on within the Labour movement, and pressure has been put on Mr David Basnett, the union's general secretary, to "deliver" for the right-wing list of NEC

Top-level talks have taken place with Mr Basnett, and he has agreed to maintain personal contacts with Mr Terence Duffy, president of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, on the general development of trade union attitudes within the party. But he has refused to ally his union with the "new

right."
Mr Basnett said vesterday:
"We will vote for the people (on the NEC) we have always voted for. I have never taken an outside list and I will not." He rejected the notion that his political creation, the Trade Unions for Labour Victory organization, would be crippled by resignations if he did not toe

That was, however, the allegation being made yesterday, that if the GMWU leader "did not come across, his baby, the the TULV, will be sunk without

Mr Basnett added; "I am not a member of this right-wing group. I have refused to join it. It would be quite improper for me to join it or to start taking political attitudes."

The verbal conflict within the moderates' camp highlights the tension felt since Mr Benn declared his candidature. Mr Sidney Weighell, general secre-tary of the National Union of Railwaymen and a leading fig-ure in the right-wing movement, said yesterday: "Nothing sus-tains this Prime Minister's arrogance more than to see that thee Labour movement does not The 650,000-strong block vote of the third largest affiliate to the party, the General and speak with a united voice."

Strike disrupts the Navy, unions say

Labour Reporter

Civil Service union leaders claimed last night that their industrial action was causing serious disruption of intelli-gence gathering and to the operations of the Navy.

The unions have called out on strike 500 staff in key computer and supply areas, which they say is restricting the Navy's ability to service and refit warships and submarines.

Three stations operated by the Composite Signals Organiza-tion, which monitors Soviet satellites and other radio sig-nals, have so far been disrupted. Civil servants are planning to walk out at a fourth station at 10 pm tomorrow.

The unious claim that their action at the General Com-

munications Headquarters from dockyards in Scotland at centres at Bude. Cornwall, had returned to America, M Cheadle. Staffordshire and Platt said.

over last weekend at Culm Mr Peter Rees, Minister over last weekend at Culm Head, Somerset, has caused serious embarrassment" the Government, and has led to protests from the United States which shares informa-tion gathered by these stations. The Council of Civil Service Unions, which is the umbrella body for the nine unions representing 540,000 white collar staff, said that "tens of the dispute (thousands" or workers in the ciation reports). departments of Employment and Health and Social Security. walked out yesterday afternoon

being delayed.

There had also been delays in the supply of missiles to Polaris submarines and the exchange of missiles on one of the submarines had been post-poned. A ship bringing Polaris components from the United States had been turned away from dockvards in Scotland and had returned to America, Mrs

However, holiday were threat-ened last night when more than fifty staff went on "indefinite" strike at the Liverpool pass-

A council spokesman said last night that the staff, who have now been called out on strike, had been working only two days a week to process payment to people on Job Release Schemes.

Mrs Margaret Platt, assistant, general secretary of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants, said the unions' action at the Ministry of Defence meant that the £90m refit of the Polaris submarine Revenge, was

State at the Treasury, said in a written Commons answer last night that because of the selective strike action, it was not possible to continue the normal 10,000 repayments a day of value added tax to traders. Holiday disruption: Air traffic controllers will not take indus-trial action over Easter as part of the dispute (the Press Asso-

The forms are complete, but doubts remain

Stoicism in the best British tradition emerged triumphant yesterday as more than 100,000 enumerators began the task of collecting completed census forms from 20 million house holds.

With few exceptions the enumerators, though sworn to .
secrecy by their official masters, reported a spirit of politeness and cooperation from respondents, coupled with a phlegmatic refusal to be ruffled, even where the point of some of the questions was entirely lost on them:

In south London, for instance, Mr Donald Rushworth, a retired nursing officer from Croydon, took time off from calling on houses in the Elephant and Castle area to say that it was all going "very well indeed ".

By Ronald Faux, David Nicholson-Lord, Arthur Osman and John Witherowe

Mr Rushworth, aged 67, said that his job as an enumerator would be completed by last night, by which time he would have collected 160 forms. "I have had no abuse at all."
he said. "People are being very cooperative and friendly. They are very nice round here."

The chief difficulty had been that of elderly people, many of whom had found the forms confusing. Some had asked why they had had to write down where they had worked before retirement.

"I don't see the point of it", Mr Rushworth said, "but I tell them that it is to keep the Department of Health informed as to the flow of jobs from London to the country and back

He knocked at a door in had the completed form ready Hayles Street, where Mrs Alice on the hallstand. "This is Shelley, a former Fleet Street extremely good," Mr Rushworth cleaner, said she had not worked for 10 years, and asked why the census people wanted to know anyway? "Just to help the Govern-

A trainee social worker aged ment make an assessment of 23 mentioned that on his round in Dulwich he had been chased down the street by an outraged appeared satisfied and retired to her decorating.

A trainee social worker aged 23 mentioned that on his round in Dulwich he had been chased down the street by an outraged householder to whom he had delivered a form.

Mr Alexander Bianchi, aged 34, of the Elim Estate, in Bermondsey, London, after handing over his completed census form yesterday. What we are supposed to do the purposes of it, but the best thing to do was run." he said. He was unhappy at the prospect of returning to collect the form. In the inner areas of Birming-

Census day is over; now the counting begins

ham census supervisors said they had not had any reports from enumerators of people be-longing to ethnic minorities refusing or failing to fill in the

Interpreters with expertize in officially in reply to that sort a total of 10languages were of behaviour is to explain the available to help, and many of background to the census and the enumerators covering areas with large communities of coloured people were West Indian or Asian.

North of the border a retired engineer-from Fife was doubtful of the value of the census.

"If they actually spent £44m are providing lawtening they

on providing lavatories they already know people do not have, there would be more wisdom in it ", he said.

An aircraft engineer near by had written across that part of the questionnaire asking about qualifications: "I have many professional qualifications but consider them to be my own private business".

His objection was to being asked questions at all; his near neighbour's objection was that the questions missed the point. "What they want an answer to, the sort of question that Enoch

Powell raises, is actfully ignored", he said, "and the part where unemployed people fill in the form according to their last employer rather fudges a useful area."

Those who doubted the value of some of the questions appeared at first sight to have

a point. Several of the questions are often asked by government bodies and the answers are stored in computers where they can be used at the leisure of

can be used at the leisure of the Civil Service.

Why then ask the same questions again? The reply from the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys is that "some of the information is available for some of the Mitry people may well have filled in forms in the past giving much of the information required in the census, but there are others who have not answered such questions and who do not, for instance, own In its blanket coverage the

census will certainly duplicate much information that is already available from other sources, but it will also gather details about members of households that have not previously been accessible.

The office has to steer a

course between the wish not to pry too closely into people's private affairs and the pressure of local authorities and demo-graphers, who say they need more information if they are

to make accurate predictions.

Despite their attempt to please everyone, the census authorities have certainly succeeded in irritating Mrs Bernice Smith, of Weymouth, Dorset. She has sent a bill for E5 to Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, for the one hour. 10 minutes for the one hour, 10 minutes that it took her to fill in her

ruling will be studied

Moones

Parliamentary Corresponder The Charity Commiss decision not to remove Unification Church Moonies) from the char register would receive a s deal of attention both in and outside Parliament, lawyers and other bodies Francis Fym. Leader of House, and Coancellor of Duchy of Lancaster, ass

MPs yesterday. What had been revealed said was causing a great of anxiety. He was respon at the end of a debate, or Easter adjournment, to womembers on both sides were urging the commission to change their minds.

Mr David Mellor, Cons tive MP for Wandsw Putney, who first raised issue in the House, said commission was wrong in ing it did not have the p to investigate or remove "Moonies' church" from list of charities.

Mr Mellor said he was to see that the Departmen Health and Social Security looking into the brain-way aspect of the matter. Charities should be an in

tant part of the nation's life should not be abused, degr and brought into disreput the activities of bodies suc the Unification Church.

The commission's state was "particularly fatuous" it had acted with unse haste after the verdict of jury in the recent Daily libel case. Mr Mellor, who ence Fitzgerald, the Chief missioner, today, added that relevant section of the Ac no way modified the basic pe of the commission to rer any institution which no to appeared to be a charity, Having seen the verdic the jury, Mr Mellor said, commission should have moved both organizations, Unification Church and the Myung Moon Foundation, the register. They should I been told that if they dissen Leading article, page 13 they could go to court

employment department's com-puter centre at Runcorn, Chesbire. **Democrats run close** second to Labour

in London opinion poll

The Labour Party will win Paddington in next month's Greater London Council (GLC) election with the Social Democrats coming a close second, according to an opinion poli of voters in the borough.

The poll, conducted by Re-earch Projects Ltd, for the adical Centre for Democratic search Studies in Industry and Society, involved 786 voters spread evenly across the constituency.

It found that if only Labour, encouragement to industry to Social Democraf, and Conservative candidates were standing, they would poll respectively lawing the Narional France. 33.6 per cent, 30.4 per cent and 20.8 per cent of the electorate.

If only Labour, Conservative
and Liberal candidates stood,
they would poll 46.7 per cent,
28.4 per cent, and 15 per cent, respectively.

If candidates from all four parties stood, Labour would poll 33.8 per cent, Social Democrats 25.7 . per -cent, Conservatives 20.9 per cent, and Liberals 7.4 per cent.

The findings of the poll, which was carried out in the week before the launching of

No Thatcher Oil rigs to be strengthene comment on 1968

Next door Mrs Violet Bailey

said approvingly. "You have answered it very well indeed." He declined Mrs. Bailey's offer

of further information.

is responsible directly to the Home Secretary, with right of access to the Prime Minister. Mrs Margaret Thatcher shied away yesterday from discussion about the purported plot against Sir Harold Wilson in 1968.

to say that she was satisfied with the way the system operated.
It was left to the usual White-

implication was that she must be content, otherwise she would change the system.

The Prime Minister gave a written parliamentary answer to a question from Mr Edward

Leadbitter, Labour MP for Hartlepool, who asked whether she was "satisfied with the arrangements for detecting any plans to subvert the elected government". Instead of answering "Yes"

Mrs Thatcher drew attention to a 1952 directive to the Director General of the Security Service

bility for day-to-day running of

MIS. Parliamentary report, page 8 Support for the Government

A strong attack on the Prime Minister and her "demora-lized" Government was launched by Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, in Birmingham last night.

Mr. Murray said that not only the TUC and the Opposition were telling Mrs. Margaret Thatcher that. "she had got it all wrong". The Confederation of British Industry was also voicing industrialists discon-

unkindest quotes of all come from people who in public lay claim to being her friends". The "whisperers of Westminster", members of her own Cabinet, furtively leaked re-ports of division within the

The real difficulty for the Government lay "in adding up the number of people who still believe in pristing monetarism."

By John Huxley Three North Sea oil rigs similar in design to the Alexander L. Kielland, which capsized with the loss of 123 lives, chairman of Lloyd's register.

are to undergo modification this They are the Pentagone 84, operated by Total Oil Marine, Dixylyn 97, operated by Union oil, and Dixviyn 96; operated by Amoco. The Pehragone 84 is already being rowed from a location east of Shetland,

The other rigs, also east of Shetland in the Heather and Hutton North-west oil fields, are tagone rigs classified by Lloyd's. still operating. Although their These were being corrected by owners and operators are satistechniques which would improve

where it has been drilling, to

the Norwegian port of Hauge-

The nature and timing of the modifications are still being discussed with representatives from Lloyd's Register of Shipping, but, it is understood that the required changes are to strengthen the bracing of the

would return to service after the work, which will be carried out at the same time as the regular inspection.

Mr Robert Huskisson, the

said yesterday that there was a "remedial programme" for Pentagone-type rigs such as the Kielland, which capsized in the Norwegian sector of the North Sea in March last year. A report officially published yes-terday criticized design and construction, as well as safety procedures on the rig. Mr Huskisson said that earlier inspections had disclosed minor

defects among the eight Pen-

metal fatigue emanating from a made watertight.
hope drilled into a leg brace to The Department of Energy hope drilled into a leg brace to fix a hydrophone, an electronic positioning device. That eventually caused the member to fracture and one of the rig's legs to buckle in a heavy storm. five legs on each rig.

Yesterday the operators were confident that, betring unfore-The technical committee is port.

mendations later this 3 will require all offsbore classifed by Lloyd's register be subjected to a detailed vey every 12 months inst Owners have been alerted

the change
All three Pentagone rigs r
operating in the North Sea h undergone careful inspecti The Dixylyn 97 was inspec and later brought into Per head, in Scotland, where it is given a clean bill of health. Iminor modifications now pl. med were described as

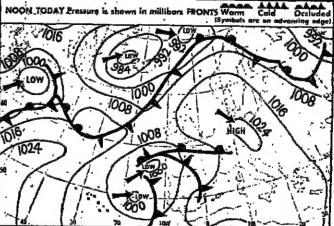
Pentagone 84 also underwe dry dock inspection on t Cromarty Firth after the Ki fied that they are safe, the rigs the fatigue life of welds.

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I land disaster. In addition routine maintenance, borizon the origins of the accident to bracing on the rig will now land disaster. In addition

> expected to make a statement after it has studied the repo But officials emphasized t improvements safety were being made of stantly, and that departme experts had provided much formation for the Kielland

Weather forecast and recordings



Sun rises : 6.23 am 6.23 am 7.44 pm

Moon rises: Moon sets:
8.13 am 11.21 pm

First Quarter: April 11
Lighting up: 8.14 pm to 5.51 am.
High water: London Bridge, 4.17
am, 7.7m; 4.46 pm, 7.6m. Avonmouth, 10.5 am, 14.3m; 10.19 pm,
13.8m. Dover, 1.15 am, 7.0m;
1.39 pm, 6.8m. Hull, 8.52 am,
7.9m; 9.06 pm, 8.2m. Liverpool,
1.39 am, 9.8m; 1.58 pm, 10.0m.
1ft=0.3048m. 1m=3.2808ft.
A ridge of high pressure over
the British Isles will slowly
decline.

N England: Sunny periods after a dull start; wind light and variable; max temp 12°C (55°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Mainly dry. sunny intervals after a misty start; wind mainly SE, becoming mainly SW, light or moderate: max temp 10°C (50°F), cooler on coasts.

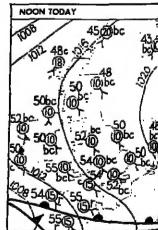
N Wales. NW England. Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny intervals, scattered light showers; wind mainly S, light; max temp 10°C (50°F).

Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Sunny intervals. scattered showers; wind S, becoming SW, light or moderate; max temp 3°C NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, scattered showers; wind mainly SW, light, increasing to fresh; max temp 8°C (46°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and

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Thursday: Mostly dry with sunny periods, but scattered showers in Scotland and perhaps some rain In S counties. Sea passages : S North Sea, Straits of Dover: Wind E, moderate or fresh; sea slight to



English Channel (E): Wind E. fresh, increasing to strong; see moderate, becoming rough. St George's Channel, Irish Sea Wind E. moderate, become fresh; sea slight to moderate.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 1 pm 12°C (54°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 5°C (41°F); Mumidity, 7 pm, 67 per cept. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, 14hr to 7 pm, 34hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,0192 millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars = 29.53m.

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Mr Foot backs import curb to help car firms

in protest at the threatened suspension of 47 staff at the

By George Clark
Political Correspondent
Drastic action was needed to protect the British car industry, Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, rold a Labour Party rally in Birmingham last night. The Government was rejecting advice from all quarters, and the director of the West Midlands Confederation of British Industry had given warning that 350,000 more jobs were in danger in the area unless there was a substantial improvement in the economy

"The Labour Party has been talking about selective import controls, which are used in almost every other industria-lized country, for a very long time. If the Government had accepted our advice and that of the TUC a year ago, the motor industry would not be in the position it is today. "They ask for efficiency and

high productivity but they insist that industry competes at home and in world markets with one hand tied behind its back."
Spurning all the advice, the Government had proceeded with a deflationary Budget. "The consequence is that Britain, the only industrialized country with its own oil supplies, has a faster growing rate of unemployment, has less growth, more bankruptcies than almost any other industrialized country in the

Why did the Government not use the North Sea oil money to invest in the public sector instead of dissipating it on the unemployed? If Britain was to benefit when the recession ended, we had to invest now in housing, transport, energy and civil engineering to modernize the economy.

We must get away from the present deflationary policies, which are the most direct and deadly cause of the present state of the economy."

£1.14 a week for our policy, party claims

By Christopher Warman Local Government

Correspondent The Labour Party's policies for London would cost on average an extra £1.14 a week for each household, Mr Andrew McIntosh, leader of the Labour Greater London Council group, said vesterday when nominasaid yesterday when nomina-tions closed for the local elec-

tions on May 7. Improvements to London Transport, including a 25 per cent reduction in fares, more buses, cleaner Underground trains and free offpeak train travel for pensioners are costed at 47p a week per household at 1981 prices. Aid to new and existing companies, aimed at creating

up to 10,000 jobs a year, will cost an estimated 30p a week. A further 27p a week will go on improvements in housing and the environment. "This is the minimum programme we could put forward to square our consciences, but it will only bring services up to the level of 1977. We could not

put forward anything less to the

electorate and hold our heads up", Mr McIntosh said.

Barring withdrawals there will be 489 candidates for the GLC elections, 16 more than the record four years ago. The Con-servatives and Labour are putting up candidates for each of the 92 seats, the Liberals 89, "official" National Front 41, Ecology Party 38, and Communist Party 16. There will also be seven Social Democratic Alliance candidates, a Social Democrat for Paddington candidate, and a candidate in Ken- and would be pleased to serve sington and Chelsea describing bimself as "Council for Social Democracy".

vironment minister, who declared that the Government had decided that the ratepayers would have to carry the burden of the failure of the Government's economic polities.

Mr Kaufman said that Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, had set himself up as the commissar of local government, and had ordered local authorities to carry out certain tasks and make reductions in spending that were impossible. If they could not do it, he would penalize them.

The GLC, under the "parsimony" of the Conservative Administration, was 13 per cent above its expenditure target, and Mr Kaufman challenged the Tories, if they retained con-trol on May 7, to give a guarantee that they would not ask for an additional rate, or increase fares or rents in order to pay for the penalties that the Government would impose.
Mr McIntosh said Labour was fighting the election on the basis that London needed more money put into it and that the ratepayers must pay.

SDP backing: Liberals in

Merseyside last night claimed the support of the first Social Democrat MP to come out for their candidates in next month's county council elections (our Political Editor writes). Mr David Alton, Liberal MP for Liverpool, Edge Hill, said that Mr Richard Crawshaw, MP for Liverpool, Toxteth, "has endorsed all the Liberal county

under him". Mr Alton said that since it Democracy".

Labour's press conference "carrying the banner", it was yesterday was attended by Mr they who provided the real Gerald Kaufman, shadow en-

council candidates, and he has

David Steel as Prime Minister

also predicted that he will see

Delay for Benn proposals on honours system By Michael Hatfield

In answer to a more general question on wider issues, those interviewed rated the right of parents to choose schools as the most important, followed by

lawing the National Front, and

enforcing laws against litter

director of Research Projects

Ltd, was yesterday named as Social Democrat candidate for Paddington in the GLC

election. He replaces Mr James Daly, who stood down last week.

zation carried out the poll,

he stresses that it was an impartial and independent survey. Interviewers were deliberately chosen evenly from

all four political parties.

Although Mr Spillius' organi-

and dog fouling.
Mr James Spillius.

Political Reporter A decision on a six-point plan by Mr Wedgwood Benn for a radical change in the honours system was delayed by. the Labour Party's home policy

committee last night. After a long debate on his proposals, which include a recommendation that no further nominations be made for any peerages, baronetcies or knighthoods, it was decided not to take any decisions until there had been further talks.

Many committee members were concerned that the pro-posals could cut across the posals could cut across the plans of Mr Michael Foot, the party leader, to have more Labour peers to help the Op-position in the Lords. The new list of peers, which will also include Conservatives and Liberals, is expected to be

announced by the Prime Minister before she leaves for her tour of India and the Middle East next week. Mr Benn, who is chairman of the committee also proposed that all awards for gallantry should be retained but in future should be open equally to all ranks, and that a single civil award for merit should be instituted to replace all

The Crown should continue to

make personal awards of any

civil bonours.

but the recipients should be limited to the Royal Family. It was apparent after the meeting thatt he party's internal argument over the honours system was still in the melting pot. The general view was that there had to be a closer examination of the difficulties that would flow from the party's commitment to abolish the House of Lords.

the SDP, represent the first full analysis of the opinions of the London electorate. By Fred Emery Political Editor Beyond drawing attention to the fact that the head of MIS They show, for example, that nnemployment is rated the single most important issue in the forthcoming GLC election, followed by rates, inflation, education and rents.

The Prime Minister managed even to decline an opportunity

hall sources to assert that the

That is the so-called Maxwell Fyfe directive (uamed after the Home Secretary of the time), and Mrs Thatcher noted that it was reproduced in the 1963 Vassall inquiry report by Lord Denning, to whose observa-tions on the functions of MIS she also drew attention. The nub is that the head of MI5, in his task of helping to

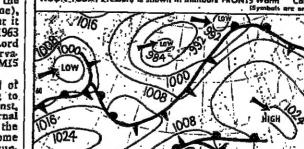
defend the realm against, among other things, "internal organizations subversive of the state", reports to the Home Secretary. In matters of "supeme importance and delicacy he may approach the Prime Minister directly. But the Prime Minister has no responsi-

pouring away? By Our Labour Staff

Mr. Murray said that not only

Mr Murray told a rally : "The

"Support for government policy is no longer ebbing. It is pouring away as if a sluice gate had been opened in a



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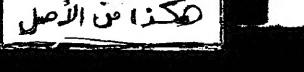
Forecasts from 6 am to midnight:
London, East Anglia, E Midlands, E England; Sunny periods
after a dull start; wind SE, light;
max temp 11°C (52°F).

SE, central S. SW England:
Bright periods, isolated light
showers; wind SE, light or modcrate; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Channel Islands: Mostly cloudy,
scattered light; showers, perhaps

scattered light showers, perhaps more general rain later; wind light and variable; max temp 10°C (50°F). W Midlands, S Wales, central

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;



Moonieg Renaissance Renaissance drawing may be a fake

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

A drawing to be offered for sale by Christie's today is sus-pected by leading dealers and some museum experts to belong to a famous group of fakes. It is catalogued as a work of the Florentine Renaissance by a "follower of Andrea del Verrocchio" and depicts the "Head of a Youth with flowing rocchio" and depicts the "Head of a Youth with flowing hair"; Christie's published estimate of its value is £10,000

estimate of its value is £10,000 to £15,000.

"Our first instinct is to withdraw it from sale", Christie's director. Mr Francis Russell, said yesterday. "But we have to contact the vendor and discuss it with him." He added that, whether the suggestion was true Cr. Bot. Once such possion mue or not, once such gossip was travelling around the art market the drawing became virtually unsaleable.

It is suggested that the draw-It is suggested that the drawing comes from a group of fakes unmasked in The Times in 1978. They were marketed in London by the English artist, Eric Hebborn, who lives near Rome, in the 1960s and early 1970s. Purporting to be from the hands of various Italian masters, they ended up in some important museums. important museums.

Mr Hebborn dealt in Old Master drawings to supplement his income as an artist but has always rejected responsibility for the attribution of the drawings. "I have never posed as an expert", he told me, "It was the dealers and auctioneers who put names to the draw-

ings."

The history of the drawing included in Christie's sale today is a mystery. The auctioneers would not reveal the name of

would not reveal the name of the vendor.

When the drawing came in for sale, they had considered the possibility that it belonged to the well-known group of fakes but rejected it. The drawing bears the "R" mark of the great eighteenth-century collector. Innathan Richardson: the great eighteenth-century collector, Jonathan Richardson; that was imitated on a number of the known fakes. Christie's looked at the mark under a microscope but could detect

The vendor was also asked where the drawing came from. He was very definite that he had not bought it from Mr Hebborn: he had acquired it from a "Continental collector". He pointed out, however, that the technique of the drawing, metal point on a prepared ground, heightened with white, was very close to a little known group of drawings unquestion ahly daring from the period of Verrocchio, "My best guess", he said, "is that the drawing is not by one of his Florentine punils but by a provincial

He remained convinced of the authenticity of the drawbut conceded that the doubts raised by dealers and museums made it virtually

Finance is offered to ensure future of Yorkshire Television

Trident Television faces a serious challenge in its attempt to change the ownership of its subsidiary, Yorkshire Television, to meet the demands of the Independent Broadcasting

The IBA is to meet on Thursday to discuss two possible structures for the new group, one formulated by Trident, the other by a group of rivals.

Ward Thomas, the Trident chairman, said in a note to shareholders yesterday that the company had received "positive assurance of finance from eminently acceptable cources, which will ensure the future of Yorkshire Television with its present management and serfer."

The identity of the backers of the rival bid remains secret. as does that of the groups sup-porting Trident; but they in-clude at least one group which was involved in an unsuccessful consortium competing for a television franchise in another egion last year.

Trident's results, which were announced yesterday were announced yesterday were qualified by the company's auditors because of its inability to reach agreement with the IBA on the future of Yorkshire.

Last December the IBA ordered Trident to relinquish majority control of both Tyne Tees and Yorkshire, which it owns outright. But by the time the IBA's initial deadline ran three weeks are Trident out three weeks ago. Trident had managed to agree in out-

planning immediate discussions with both Trident and others who had expressed interest in funding new companies, and set a deadline of three weeks for the talks, which expires today.

Mr Thomas said in a note to
Trident's annual report, about
assurances of finance: "In our
view these arrangements meet

the authority's requirements that the two programme com-panies should be separately and adequately financed, equipped and managed

and managed.
"I bope that the IBA will now feel able to confirm the provisional award of new contracts to both companies. Trident hopes to take a 20 per cent stake in both Tyne

Tees and Yorkshire, and to rent the studios it owns back to the new companies. Type Tees is expected to be floated off as a separate entity next September with a £5m share issue, with a further £10m to be raised through loans.

One of the original points of contention between Trident and the IBA has been settled in three weeks, though not necessarily in the company's favour. Trident originally thought that Yorkshire was not likely to be profitable enough if it met its present commitments to attract investors. through loans.

In fact, the prospect of taking a stake in Yorkshire has proved of interest to a number of

Financial Editor and Breaking menopely, page 19

The King's Troop, Royal Horse Artillery, rehearsing in Hyde Park, London, yesterday for the annual inspection parade. The troop was formed in 1946 for state ceremonies.

Chemical warfare interest lands student in court

A "brilliant " student who was said to have got carried away with his researches into chemical warfare was given a conditional discharge yesterday after he admitted making a controlled drug and producing explosives. Police found explosive fuses

drugs at the home of Jeremy Houlding, a Worcester magis-trate heard. Mr David Hallmark, for the prosecution, said experts found that the fuses were highly efficience. The police also

The police also discovered 94 mg of the drug DMT and chemicals that could have pro-

amphetamines, he said.

Mr Hallmark said police accepted that Mr Houlding, aged 21, a second-year chemistry student at Sheffield University, was experimenting Mr Houlding was ordered to pay 448 costs, and the chemi-

cals were confiscated.

Mr David Wright, for Mr Houlding, said he was a brilliant young student and a very upright and responsible young man". He added: "It is obvious that he got carried away with his researches and went too far. "You are not dealing with an embryo terror-ist or a bomb-happy lunatic."

Sainsbury cuts milk price by 2p a pint

By Hugh Clayton
Agriculture Correspondent
The milk price war intensified yesterday when the Sainsbury supermarket chain cut the

bury supermarket chain cut the price of its fresh, low-fat milk by 2p a pint to 16p. That is 2 p less than the price of most full-fat, bottled milk delivered to bouseholds.

Sir John Sainsbury, chairman of the company, said: "In the past there was a cartel-like arrangement which had the effect of making milk sold in the shops dearer than on the doorstep". He did not accept that his company's cut-price product would threaten doorstep delivery of milk, but it step delivery of milk, but it would belp to stem the decline n consumption

in consumption.

In the past five years milk consumption had fallen by 13 per cent after consistent increases in the previous decade, while demand for soft drinks for children had increased by 40 per cent. "Is that clever marketing of milk?"

Mr Peter Davies, assistant managing director, said that the new product was not a substitute. "We have added milk solids and vitamins to get a laste close to that of whole milk. It is a different kind, but it is milk." it is milk."
Dairies claim that sales of

cut-price milk will threaten doorstep deliveries Farm price complaint: The House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities complained yesterday that the timetable for settling EEC farm prices was too tight and gave insufficient leeway for debate.

Prince for New York ballet gala

By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter

The Prince of Wales is to fly to New York in June for a gala performance at the Metropolitan Opera House to cele-brate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Royal Ballet.

Tickets for the ballet, a reception and a ball will cost up to \$1,000 each, and the event could raise as much as \$1m for charitable causes. Some of the proceeds are expected to go to the Royal Opera House's development appeal.

It is not yet known whether Ludy Diana Spencer will accompany the Prince, but one guest at the performance of The at the performance of The Sleeping Beauty will be Mrs Nancy Reagan.

The gala will be held on June 17, but the Royal Ballet opens at the opera house two days earlier. It is the company's first made it virtually visit to New York for five years, and forms part of a seven-week Sale Room, page 14 tour of North America.

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IBA and ITN strongly deny claims of bias in bulletins ly Brian MacArthur Glasgow

Accusations of bias and disortion in television news but esterday by the independent iroadcasting Authority and ndependent Television News. In a letter to the BBC and he IBA, more than 100 pro-essors, trade union leaders and 4Ps had alleged that there was ias against the trade union nd labour movement in pub-

broadcasting. Miss Barbara Hosking, the Miss Barbara Hosking, the 3A's director of information, tid yesterday: "Ensuring due spartiality and preserving an suitable balance between the littles is a task the IBA takes livery seriously. We do it in her ways than by listing spearances. A mere head unt can be very misleading." unt can be very misleading.". She added that both national id regional programmes were intinually monitored by the

ITN and BBC news coverage is been criticized by the

University Media Group, which originated the letter to the BBC and the IBA in two books, Bad News, and More Bad News, and, more recently, in the New States-

Confidential BBC news and current affairs minutes obtained by the media group show, however, that the BBC is taking its accusations more seriously than it discloses in public statements.

For example, on January 27 the minutes record Sir Ian Trethowan, the Director General, saying that the BBC would come under increas-ingly critical observation from the militant left. Unlike ITN, the BBC decided to ignore the New Statesman article.

It was nevertheless accepted that there was "something" in what the group was saying, perhaps because broadcasters necessarily used potted versions of events.

3BC apologizes ver patients t Broadmoor

Kenneth Gosling The BBC acknowledged on its amone last night that it was ong to describe Broadmoor an institution housing 700 ople "judged to be crimin-

made the reference last iday in a trailer for a three-rt series that begins on tursday, bringing a protest d a threat of High Court tion from the Matthew Trust, hndy that looks after the terests of mental patients. The BBC said is accepted at the statement was not ally accurate, as about a fifth Broadmoor's patients were ere because they were con-Peter Thompson, chair-of the trust, said: "The of the trust, said: "The C has given a guarantee that s statement will not appear any programme on Broad-

Ban on jobless councillors' voting lifted From Our Correspondent Ludiow

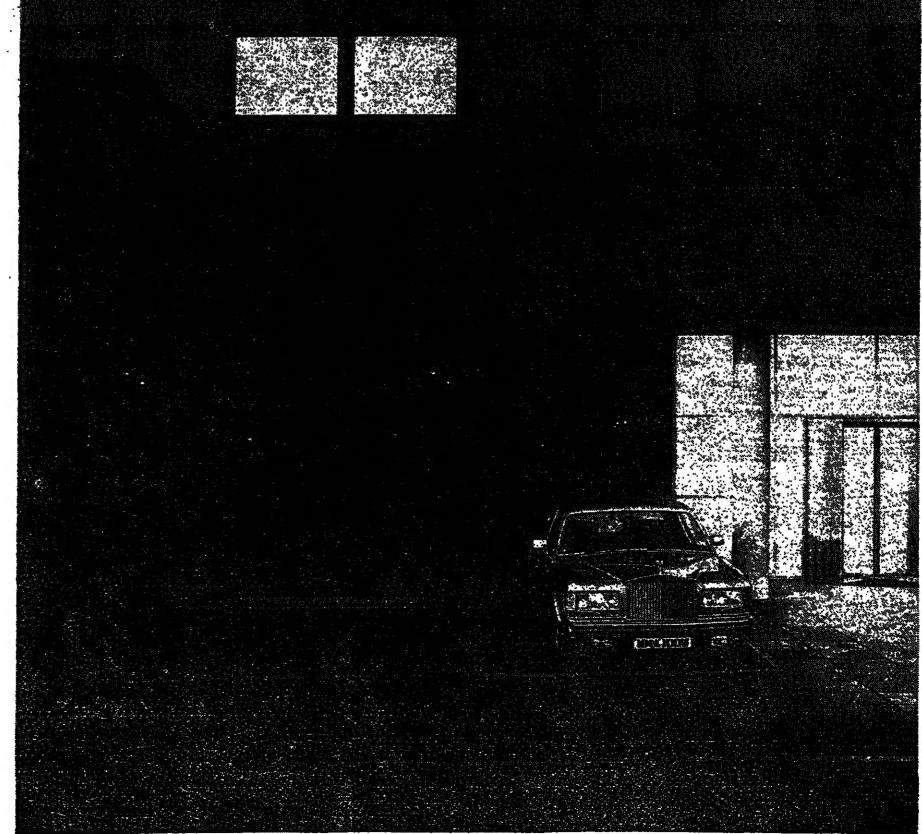
The Government yesterday lifted a ban preventing five out-of-work councillors from voting on issues affecting the unemployed.

Last month five members of

Last month five members of Wrekin District Council, at Telford, Shropshire, protested that they had been prevented from voting on a proposal to offer reduced charges at recreation centres to the unemployed because they had a financial interest.

interest. Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, said yesterday that he was giving the councillors a special dispensation.

Mr Simon Barber, secretary of the council, had said that the councillors were being prevented from taking decisions on a burning issue in Telford, which had the highest unemployment rate in the Midlands.



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'rivate bus service begins

ocal authorities and private erprise transport throughout tain will be watching Cardiff the next six months after the nching yesterday of the first apetitive has route since the ansport Act, 1980, enabled town hall monopoly to be

The service which will break : 50-year-old Cardiff bus and disabled.

monopoly comes after fierce opposition from the council who told the Traffic Commis sioners that private operators would cream off the profitable routes to the detriment of the

integrated system.

Mr Keith Morris, managing director of CK Coaches Ltd. said their fares would be 12p cheaper and conductors on board would help the elderly

Dublin 'inferno inquiry' hears of conflict over whether club's emergency exit doors were locked

A judicial inquiry into the Stardust discotheque fire in Dublin on St Valentine's night, seven weeks ago, in which 48 people died and 160 were injured, heard yesterday that tions of the roller blind curtain, there was "a serious conflict of evidence" on whether some of evidence" on whether some came hurtling across the hall at of the emergency exit doors the level of the false ceiling, were locked.

Mr John Lovatt-Dolan, coun- "It would be no exaggera-sel to the tribunal, said it tion to describe the resulting appears that the materials used in the furniture, the wall cover-ing and possibly the ceiling tiles could have contributed to some of the deaths and injuries.

He said the seating appeared. to have been made with poly-urethane filling in plastic covering Wall and floor coverings, with the exception of the downstairs area, were of a particular kind of carpet tiling and there would be technical evi-dence later in the inquiry as to the effect of the materials on the spread of the fire.

Firemen had to free many people who took refuge in a lavatory, the window of which appeared to have been secured steel plates welded on the inside of the metal frame, he said. The tribunal would have to decide if that was in accor-dance with safety regulations.

He said a relatively small fire was noticed at 1.40 a.m.

back of the alcove, and from there to the ceiling.

"It is a matter of serious conflict that some members of the staff may have raised porfollowing which a ball of flame which was also tiled.

"It would be no exaggeraspread of fire, which was rapid and intense, as an inferno?

He said the inquiry would be told that there was a sudden blackout and that at the same time the hall was enveloped in dense smoke, which choked many of patrons, making it hard for them to escape.

Some of the patrons would allege that they had to force open locked exit doors. The management did not accept that, and said that at all relevant times the doors were unlocked, Mr Lovett-Dolan said.

Det. Maurice Garde, of the Police Mapping Bureau, who carried out tests a few hours after the fire, said he found openings on lavatory windows reduced by immovable steel plates to 7 in. by 9in. He also found that two doors at the main entrance were locked, one with a steel roller bar.

He agreed with Mr Naill behind a dividing curtain in an MacCartby, for the proprietors alcove on one side of the stage.

"The fire spread quickly along the seats in the alcove area and over the windows to prevent

The inquiry, which opened with a preliminary hearing on March 2 and was adjourned until yesterday, is expected to

last six weeks.

The police have taken 1,600 statements and hundreds of wir. nesses are expected to appear before the four-man tribunal, headed by Mr Justice Ronan Keane, a High Court judge and

an expert on planning law.

The inquiry, which was adjourned unril today, aims to establish the causes of the fire; the circumstances leading to loss of life and personal injury; the measures taken to deal with the fire; the adequacy of the means of escape; measures taken to ensure public safety; and the application in the law of the conduct, supervision and inspection of the premises.

The blaze was one of Ireland's worst tragedies on land. There were 841 people at the dance and there was a bar extension until 1 am. The dance was to have ended at 2 am.

An emergency Cabinet meeting ordered the inquiry the day after the disaster.

Mr Lovatt-Dolan said the Stardust property and various associated businesses were owned by a series of interlocking companies, the share-holders of which were des-cribed as being "various members of the Butterly



Dr Eric Fenby conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra at a recording of works by Delius which were dictated to him by the blind composer.

Remaining Bristol riot charges are dropped

The Director of Public Prose-cutions decided yesterday not to pursue charges against the re-maining four defendants in the Bristol riot trial.

The director announced that he was dropping the charges in the public interest and that an important factor in reaching his decision was advice he had re-ceived from the chief constable concerning the promotion of racial harmony in Bristol. It is believed to be the first time that

has been given as a reason for dropping charges.

Mr Brian Weigh, Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset, who withdrew his men from St Paul's, Bristol, when the disturbances were at their height on April 2 last year, said be fully supported the decision.

"I would add that as far as

race relations in Bristol are concerned the need is to look forward with confidence and not to dwell on the past", he said.

Mr Weigh would add nothing more to his statement. The DPP, however, said that normally, where a jury at a first trial could not agree, the prose-

At the recent riot trial eight people were acquitted and the jury failed to reach agreement on the remaining four.

The DPP added: "The Attorney-General has now considered, in consultation with the Chief Constable of Archand Somerser, the Director of and Somerset, the Director of Public Prosecutions and senior

counsel, whether that procedure should be followed in this case, and all are agreed that it would not be in the public interest to hold a further trial of the remaining four defen-dants."

The four defendants were Doretta Maye, aged 25, of Princess Street, Bedminster, Carlton Sharpe, aged 17. of Walton Street; Paul Binns, aged 18, and Andrew Minter, aged 17. both of Ashley Road, all Bristol.

Mr Minter was the only white man to be charged with rioutous assembly. Miss Maye was also charged with maliciously wounding a policeman but that was also dropped. Lawyers and community leaders said they thought it had been a big mistake to have cutton would present the evi-dence again at a second trial. a handful of people singled out

thought to be in the region of £400,000. "It was obviously an enor-

mous waste of public money". Mr Peter Courtier, Bristol's community relations officer said, "While the trials were going on it was difficult to improve relationships with the police. I hope that will be behind us now.

"Our view has always been that the police were just as much responsible for what happened on that day as the people." Mrs Gareth Pierce, one of

the defending solicitors, said she wished the DPP had taken their adpice last year. When the riot charges were mooted she had written to him begging him to drop them on the ground that they would not only reopen wounds but would

also create fresh ones. The trial, which lasted for seven weeks in Bristol Crown Court and involved 17 barris-ters, was remarkable not only for its outcome but also for the composition of the jury.

Of the 12 members, five were trial by jury.

Mrs Anwar Ditta, who last

month won a prolonged battle

against the Home Office for

permission for her children in

Pakistan to ioin her in Britain,

is to ask the Government for

solicitor wrote to the

By a Staff Reporter

compensation.

from hundreds who had been non-white, and that was involved in the disturbances, achieved during the jury selection process when the defendtion process when the defendants used up 35 of their 36 sel agreed not to oppose any of the non-white jurors chosen.

Riotous assembly is regarded as an extremely serious charge, with a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, and is used rarely. It was not used, for example, after the Southall riot in London in 1978 or in connexion with disturbances in Notting Hill, also London Notting Hill, also London.

The last big occasion on which it was used was in 1970, when students invaded a dinner given in Cambridge by the Greek tourist office. Some were imprisoned and sent to borstal, but they all also faced lesser

Another remarkable feature of the Bristol riot trial was that all the original 16 defendants, apart from Miss Maye, faced only the riot charge.

The earlier lesser charges for which they were first arrested were dropped. They included threatening behaviour and pos-session of an offensive weapon, and would not have merited

Police used bugging to trap men From Our Correspondent

Bribes trial

man says

to flee

he was told

From a Correspondent Midalesbrough

John Symonds, a form detective sergeant

Metropolitan Police, who

appeared for eight years at being accused of taking brib

said at his trial yesterday

he was told by a senior offic to leave the country.

Detective Chief Superintend, Alfred Moody, who conducthe bribery investigat

against him 10 years ago.

Mr Moody, later impriso

for corruption, did not tell t

directly, Mr Symonds said:

advice was passed down

Mr Symonds, aged 45,

ruptly accepting a total of 5

from a former criminal the jury at Teesside Cro Court that he went to Afr.

where he became a soldier.

Ill health forced him to le Africa and he travelled Australia and New Zeal;

before returning to London

Mr Symonds, who is defe

"set up" by Mr Michael Per the former criminal. He

suggested that two reporters

The Times acted as age provocateurs by editing to

recorded conversations betw himself and Mr Perry.

nical manager of EML called by Mr Symonds as

expert witness on the ta

Yard by The Times.
Mr Taylor said that it

impossible to derect whe

Cross examined by Mr Geoff Rivlin, OC, for the prosecuti Mr Taylor said: "I am A

suggesting that there are i signs that there tapes hi been fabricated."

The case continues today,

which were given to Scotli

Mr Roy Taylor, denuty to

May to give himself up.

denies three charges of

other officers.

The man who told him

Manchester Derectives bugged a ho

room to trap two businessm deoling in sstolen painti worth more than £40,000, M chester Crown Court was t yesterday. From an adjoining suite police heard the two men a

their Dutch customers negotic the price of a Renoir, a Mati-Woman seeks compensation to he by Cézanne, Mr Jo Hugill, QC, for the prosecutiv said. When they were about to

handed over, the police into vened. The paintings had be stolen in a £58,000 raid on the marriage ceremony, other people who knew Anwar and her family, and the evidence Elizabethan mansion near Dr field, Humberside, 10 mont produced from the various re-cord-keeping offices ". earlier. Mr Hugill said that the That was all information

That was all information which, the letter said, was obtained within days of arrival in Pakistan and would have required the absolute minimum amount of effort by the British Embassy in Islamabad as a chair. last year.

Denis Wilson, aged 41. Didsbury, Manchester, was se to prison for five years at John Bhagwanani, aged 51,

Mr Wilson, the owner of discount forniture warehouse Manchester, admitted handler the paintings and receivir three diamond rings, want £4,500, which had been stole in a £19,500 raid on a jeweller

Mr Bhagwannni admitte assisting in the disposal of th stolen paintings. The court wi told that Mr Wilson was foun in possession of one of th

Her husband came to England in 1974 and she followed a year later to buy a house and to find work before applying for her children to join her.

Pineland Road, Chilwort Southampton, was jailed for to

shop in Bolton, Lancashire.

stolen rings.
Mr George Carman, QC, fo
Mr Bhagwanani, said he was

man of great commercial intergrity. It was not until th paintings had been bought an-valued that they knew they ha-been stolen. He tried to help i their disposal, but he would not have gained financially. Mr Daniel Brewnan, for M Wilson, said he Les establishes a sound business which has been badly affected by the

Former war pilots campaign to stop the

style and scent that can now rarely be experienced outside memory. One more chance to hear the waspish power of a piston-engined fighter and the forbidding drone of a Lancaster bomber is about to slip away unless a Scortish baronet changes his mind and holds on Strathallan to one of the most valuable collections of military aircraft

A group of Second World War servicemen and the Royal Scottish Museum have so far failed to persuade Sir William Denby Roberts not to sell the Strathallan historic aircraft col-lection in Perthshire by auction

The campaign is supported by Air Vice-Marshal Johnnie Johnson, the former fighter pilot, Captain Alec Mackeozie, Lancaster Pathfinder pilot, and Professor R. V. Jones, of Aberdeen University. If interest stirs among the international community of aircraft fanciers, the sale in July by Christie's could realize more than £1m. Many of the Strathallan aircraft are more than mere museum pieces; they actually fly. Crowds of more than 20,000 turn up at the airfield

on the days the veteran air-craft take to the air, and more than 60,000 visit the aircraft museum there each year. Other leading figures in the

Regional report Ronald Faux

The Scottish Aircraft Collec-tion Trust has been formed to try to keep the aircraft in Scot-

struggle during the Second World War. There are the trainer aircraft that produced the pilots, the fighters that held back the invasion and the bombers that took the Allies on 10 oers that took the Allies on to the offensive", he said. The flying examples included a superbly restored Lysander, the whispering monoplane used to land secret agents in France: the Mosquito fighter-bomber, one of the few still flying and one of the few still flying, and the only Hurricane fighter in private hands still able to leave the ground.

Captain Mackenzie flew the collection's Lancaster bomber 10 Strathallan from western Canada. "I appreciate that Sir William owns the aircraft and can do what he likes with them, but at the same time the collec-tion has become so important. The Royal Scottish Museum,

which controls the Museum of Flight at East Fortune Airfield. near Edinburgh, is keen to sec as many Strathallan aircraft as possible kept in Scotland
Mr Robert Brooks, head of Christie's vintage car and his toric aircraft department, said that 25 aircraft would be auctioned. The Hurricane alone was expected to reach six figure.
There was great enthusiasm for

and the sale would be adver-tised all over the world.

In brief

Foot-and-mouth curb ends soon

Restrictions on the movement of animals in the Isle of Wight, imposed because of the out-break of foot-and-mouth disease, are expected to be lifted in about a week's time, provided tests on two new sus-pected cases prove negative. The results are expected today.

The restrictions on livestock movements in Hampshire and Dorset, opposite the island, were lifted at midnight on Sunday.

PC for trial

Police Constable Arthur Pollock, aged 22, of Ravens-court Police Section House, Hammersmith, was committed for trial at the Inner London Crown Court by Horseferry Road magistrates yesterday charged with attempting to obtain £975 by deception from the Paramount Insurance Company Ltd by falsely representing that

Train attacked

Police were yesterday searching for a gang of youths who fired air guns and threw stones at a Nottingham-bound train carrying a party of children. The train was forced to stop in Wellingborough, North-amptonshire, to have broken ss cleared

Anaesthetist fined Dr Betty Ling, aged 51, a consultant anaesthetist at Manor House Hospital, Golders Green, London, was fined £175 and disqualified from driving for a year by Hendon magistrates yesterday for driving while unfit through drink and assaulting a police officer.

Two paintings missing seventeenth-century paintings, of King Charles II and his Queen, Catherine of Braganza, have disappeared from Westminster School, Braganza, have disappear-from Westminster School, London. They were valued at £350 each and had been at the more than 100 years.

£300.000 damages

Mr John Cluley, the former director of Clarke Cluley, an engineering company, of Kenilengineering company, or rem-worth. Warwickshire, was awarded demagese of £300,000 in a settled High Court action yesterday for injuries in a road accident six years ago. oSsawort.

Strike closes airport A strike by 200 firemen and

grolund staff closed Belfast air port yesterday. They have been offered a wage increase of 9 per cent, but have rejected conditions attached to it by the Northern Ireland Airports Authority.

Botanist found dead

Mr Dilwyn Morgan, aged 61, a botanist, of Treherbert, Mid-Glamorgan, who went on the Brecon Bercon to sow the seeds of rare wild flowers to prevent them from becoming extinct, was found dead on Sunday,

Driver decapitated

Trooper Mark William James, age d20, of The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, was decapitated by flying borbed wire while driving a Scimitar tank last weekend on exercises on Salis-bury Plain, it was disclosed vesterday.

Alarms to be ignored

Bedfordshire police said yesterday that they would ignore automatic alarm calls from firms with a bad record of false alarms. Last year 97 per cent of the 6,127 calls they received were false.

Trains disrupted

Main line train services to and from South Wales were badly disrupted again yesterby unofficial guards' action over new timetables.

Computers in schools plan starts

A Government-backed scheme to put a microcomputer into every secondary school by the end of next year was launched in London yesterday by Mrs

Margaret Thatcher.
The Department of Industry
will give up to £4m in its
"micros in schools" programme to match pound-for-pound spending by local authorities on computers. The Department of Education is launching a £10m microelectronics education pro-

Mrs Thatcher told a Press conference: "We want to be in this world of microcomputers and we want to be in it big". She described the "micros in schools" programmes as an exciting adventure. "It is a very important first step in the ernment's information techno-

logy programme."

The Government would use public purchasing to help British-based manufacturers She added: "Our future prosperity depends in large part on

the quality of education today, Mrs Thatcher hoped that parent associations and local industry would become involved in raising finance for school computers: the cheapest would require a contribution of only £130.

MPs lobbied on transport

Fight by the

The "good and great" are starting to fight back. The distinguished men and women

who people royal commissions

and committees of inquiry are

no longer prepared to sit back

and watch their reports pass down the thousand-and-one

That apt phrase is from Pro-fessor Bernard Williams, who

will be delivering a paper on the subject at a Royal Institute of Public Administration con-

ference at Sussex University on

Lord Rothschild began the

process with an outspoken address to the British Academy

in 1978 and an article in The

Times the next year about the

fate of his Royal Commission

on Gambling. Last week Sir Duncan Wilson's Public Records Committee took up the

torch by showing every deter-mination to prevent its report being sabotaged by what one Whitehall insider called "the

classic Yes Minister tactics".

which look almost certain to be

The committee won the first round by raising the stakes for any Cabinet that ignores its

deployed against it.

pathways to the pigeon hole".

'good and

the great'

Fears for academic standards

By Our Education Correspondent

The Council for National Academic Awards (CNAA), the main validating body for de-grees in the public sector, said yesterday that the government cuts in funding for polytechnics and colleges could lead to courses falling below the stan-dards acceptable for continued council approval.

The council has written to 135 institutions which provide courses leading to CNAA awards, asking them to assess the potential effects on academic standards of cuts planned for 1981-82. Replies have been requested

by the end of May "so that there is time, before students are admitted to courses in the session 1981-82, for the discussion of any major difficulties". Early replies had produced a mixed picture, Dr Edwin Kerr, the council's chief officer, said yesterday. Some institutions wehe hardly being cut at all,

others were being severely cut. "The picture is so variable that it causes one to reflect on the rightness of the present system for resource allocation in the public sector", Dr Kerr

House of Commons yesterday, and a rally near by, to protest at government policies that unions claim are leading to deterioration in public transport

Thousands of transport work- The action was part of the ers took part in a lobby of the TUC's "week of activities" in protest at the Government's social and economic policies. Further demonstrations and protest meetings are to be held throughout the country over the

produced a system of exemp-lary soundness which in 1981, 29 years after it first sat, has still not been implemented properly. It began its work in 1952, reported in 1954 and saw

its recommendations enshrined in the Public Records Act, 1958.

Professor Margarer Gowing, a member of the Grigg Committee and official historian of

atomic energy, and Sir Paul Osmond, former secretary to

the Church Commissioners,

wrote, "that our report is a sobering commentary on the ability of government to imple-

ment administrative reforms which it accepted whole-

heartedly and embodied in legislation.

reads: "Will Mrs Margaret

Thatcher's Government please do what the Macmillan, Home,

do what the Macmillan, nome, Wilson, Heath and Callaghan

Administrations failed to do

letter of the 1958 Act to ensure

The Wilson committee has a

expiry of 30 years."

Decoded from the language

"We believe". Sir Duncan, a

findings. It promulgated as its central observation the fact failing to keep the collective memory of government intact for the benefit of both departance on Public Records,

By Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent

Mr William Whitelaw, the

Home Secretary, sought yester
day to cool the communities a scapegoat for
our problems. This is a poison
ous development, which I take
very seriously. I know the Home Secretary, sought yester-very seriously. I know to cool the temperature in police share my view." race relations and reassure the

Mr Whitelaw condemns

rise in racial attacks

black and Asian communities over recent racialist attacks Opening a seninar in Manchester, Mr Whitelaw accepted that there had been disturbing reports of an increase in racialist activity, from abuse to physical attacks on members of the ethnic minorities and their property.

Much of it seemed to be the work of young people, he said-"As a society we cannot tolerate those who seek in our ethnic

If central government, with a staff of 695,100 and an annual

running cost of 58,300m (the public records system accounts for £11.7m) cannot keep its own files in order, what successes can be expected of it in other more demanding areas such as managing the economy or sustaining a defense spacking.

taining a defence capability?

The immediate omens for the

Wilson report are bad. An Official Cabinet Committee on

Public Records is already in being under Mr John Bergin, a

deputy secretary in the Lord Chancellor's Department. Once

the committee receives guidance from ministers it will

set to work costing the Wilson

Ministers, given the econ-

omic climate, are almost certain

or a single extra civil servant

can be devoted to records work. Mr Bergin's committee will then dutifully report that

to upgrade certain records staff

such things as machine redable.

mechanical forms of records,

The Government will delay the Lord Chancellor's reply to

reforms.

of White Papers, that message to say that not a penny more

and live up to the spirit and and to improve facilities for

that important files are not lost that is computerized or other

or shredded but moved on time mechanical forms of a into the public domain after the could cost a great deal.

Mr Whitelaw said officials would be gathering information countrywide as part of his inquiry into racialist attacks and the activities of extremist organizations.

He reiterated the Government's absolute commitment to
"a multi-racial society, to
equality of opportunity and
justice for all".

Much progress had been made towards creating a more just society,

The Home Office had claimed that the three children aged 11, nine and eight, were not hers. After a long investigation, in which a doctor was sent from Whitehall brief: How Wilson report may avoid paths to the pigeon hole London to Pakistan, the World in Action television programme produced blood tests which supported what Mrs Ditta had maintained.

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State at the Home Office. agreed to reconsider her case in the light of that and other evidence and decided that the children should be allowed in. The Home Office said yesterday that it would consider the request for compensation.

Her solicitor's letter said compensation was asked for in the light of "the compelling evid-ence submitted to you in the form of affadavits from midives, the iman ho performed

50p to the public sector borrowing requirement. in the world.

Lynn, the inspired authors of

In that event, should Mr Bergin's committee and point. None of the usual alibis the report until the autumn. the constor Whitehall inertia or incapacity apply. Ministers austerity prevents the immortality cannot blame Opec, the trade plementation of otherwise laud-

The Public Records Committee (from the left): Mr Graham Aylett, Mrs H. Hughes-Jones (secretariat), Sir Paul Osmond, Sir Duncan Wilson, Professor Margaret Gowing and Miss J. E. A. Hart (secretariat). unions or fickle electorate for able proposals, while omitting to mention that ministers and permanent secretaries, breaking the habits of a lifetime and assuming their proper personal responsibilities under the 1958 Act the most important of the Wilson reforms-would not add

There is hope, however, that a Yes, Minister result can be averted. MPs and newspapers are interested and will not let the subject die. Mr Alfred Dubs, Labour MP for Wandsworth, Battersea South, is to ask the Leader of the House to allow the Commons Select Committee on Home Affairs to monitor public records policy (at present all aspects of the work of the Lord Chancellor's Department are debarred from scrutiny by Parliamentary com-

It would help, too, if schools of public policy in universities and polytechnics adopted the subject as a test case of policy implementation over a 30-year period, not to mention Mr Antony Jay and Mr Jonathan Yes, Minister.

ministers to whom it will report maintain the inertia of past, they will at least have the consolation of achieving permanent notoriety and imby textbook and

Home Office yesterday to ask Embassy in Islamabad to obtain. that she and her husband be compensated for the five years during which they were deprived of their children. "None of the children speak It involved an hour's journey to the south of an hour and a half to the north. Mrs Ditta, who was born in English and they will have enormous problems of general and educational adjustment to face upon arrival", the letter Birmingham in 1953, will consider appealing to the European

for children refused entry

in Strasbourg if compensation is refused. Compensation was offered in 1979 to an Asian who had been subjected to gynaecological

tests at Heathrow airport. Mrs Ditta mounted a lengthy public campaign to get permission for her children to join her and her husband in Britain, and she spoke at 400 public meetings in various parts of the

country. She was brought up in Rochdale and returned to Pakistan at the age of nine after her parents separated. She married

in 1968 and had three children.

sale of military aircraft collection Old aircraft have a sound,

aviation world who have added their names to the campaign to save the collection include Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Neil Cameron, who is closely involved with the RAF museum at Hendon. He has suggested that the Strathallan collection might be saved to become a Scottish branch of the national collection. That idea has been endorsed by Air Vice-Marshal D. C. A. Lloyd, the Air Officer Commanding Scotland.

land, but the appeals have flown over the head of Sir William, who founded his collection 11 years ago and insists that he has to sell because of mounting value-added tax and rates bills. He said he had tried to wring some sympathy from the taxman, but to no avail.

Air Vice-Marshal Johnson historic aircraft in America, believed that it would be tragic Australia, Europe and Britain. if the collection was broken up. "There is everything there

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Bribes trial man says he was told هَكُذُا مِن الأصل

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Solidarity adviser says Soviet intervention is only hope for Polish party's hardliners

Warsaw. April 6.—The War-cause of what was described as unions, and want censors' delesaw branch of Solidarity, the the indisposition of Mr Wojciech tions to be marked by some free trade union federation, Jaruzeiski, the Prime Minister. quoted today one of its top advisers, Mr Jan Olszewski, as saying that only "intervention" could save Communist Party hardliners from being defeated by rebellious rank-and-file members.

The party is at present in the threes of an election cam-paign which could lead to a profound shake-up in its leadership. Officials are being elected by secret ballot from an un-limited number of candidates at all levels, in preparation for a national party congress to be held before July 20.

The campaign is going ahead despite apparent misgivings among the hardliners, led by Mr Stefan Olszowski, a member of the Polithuro, who is representing Poland alongside Mr Leonid Brezhnev, the Soviet leader, at the Czechoslovak party congress in Prague.

There were no signs of special political activity in Warsaw, where a session of the Sejm (Parliament) had been post-poned from today to Friday be-

Asked when a response from

a fair amount of allied response

already." He hoped there would be more at the Nato

and

the Soviet threat

Invasion by osmosis,

The official news agency PAP reported today that Mr Jaruzel-ski had gone down with a throat

infection, which was now mild. Officials also announced that a new law drastically relaxing censorship had been submitted formally to the Seim.

For the first time since the war, MPs will have two sets of proposals to choose from. A draft proposal to curb censorship was submitted late last year by the Justice Ministry, but rejected as inadequate by intellectuals and Solidarity, who then drew up their own version.

Differences in the Two Bills include which publications are to be exempted and what penal-ties should be imposed. Both sides agree that scholarly works, religious texts, statistical publications, materials published before 1918, parliamentary speeches and court yerdicts should no longer be subject to censorship.

The intellectuals also want exemption for bulletins of regis-tered organizations, including

Romanian reforms: A trade union congress in Bucharest began work today on proposed reforms, apparently intended to head off labour unrest similar to that which has swept Poland. President Ceausescu called for a shorter working week and urged unions to do more for

their members.

He told union leaders that their organizations should not be subordinated to the Com-munist Party, but "should act through party members inside the unions".—AP.

Manoeuvres continue: Tank and troop reinforcements drafted into the Warsaw Pact's joint manoeuvres over the weekend, have been assembled in the centre of East Germany, according to press reports in East Berlin.

The official newspaper Neues

Deutschland said tanks and armoured cars had been loaded onto trains at bases throughout the "central sector" in pre-paration for new combat opera-tions in the war games.—Reuter.

Naval and air alert as plans are made to house refugees

Swedes would protect Poles fleeing invasion

Sweden has prepared a com-plex scheme of air and naval defence to be put into oper-ation if the Soviet Army in-vades Poland.

Air and naval reconnaisance has already been increased along the Baltic coast around southern Sweden, and commanders have specific in-structions to defend any ships especially those which may carry refugees from Poland, should they enter Swedish territorial waters.

The Swedish Government has also asked local authorities in the southern provinces of Skape and Smaland to prepare for possible influx of thousands of Polish refugees. In the towns of Ystad, Snarestad and Trelleborg, officials have compiled lists of schools, holiday camps and even theatres which could be used to house Poles who might be expected to flee their country.

that their contingency plans do not represent any kind of prediction about the outcome of the Polish crisis and that they are only taking measures which any country would adopt in the same circumstances. But

From A Special Correspondent Sweden has no intention of Stockholm, April 6 compromizing its neutrality if the Soviet Army enters Poland, and is therefore making no secret of its heightened naval and air alert.

and air alert.
Swedish refugee planning is a natural historical consequence of the past 42 years when the country received refugees from Poland, in 1939, and from the Paleia country. and from the Baltic states. In Stockholm, however,

officials also have a small historical nightmare. In the Second World War Polish naval craft sought sanctuary in Sweden. At least one submarine surrendered to the Swedish Navy in 1939 and its crew was taken to Stockholm for internment, The government here is anxious to avoid the possibility of any defecting Polish naval vessels running for Swedish waters.

Its instructions to Swedish commanders, however, are strict to the point of legal nicety, so far as civilian craft are concerned. As one source put it: "If there is a military conflict in Poland and Polish refugees take a boat to Sweden, the Swedish Navy can assist them in international waters, by answering a distress call.
"Once on board a Swedish

ship, Polish refugees would effectively be on Swedish terri-tory and they would be safe. If another navy, the Soviet Navy, stops them first, then there is nothing we can do for them.

"If they reach Swedish territorial waters 12 miles from our mastling them they are under

coastline, then they are under our protection. If anyone else our protection. It anyther essenties to molest them then, the Swedish Navy will interfere. If necessary, it will start shoot-

Such words are not normally heard in Stockholm but the Swedes are apparently in no mood to allow any naval power to play fast and loose with Swedish territorial waters.

Despite the occasionally dulgent artitude adopted Western European countries towards its armed forces, the Swedish Army and Air Force would represent a very considerable opponent.

Sweden is the most powerful neutral in Europe and possesses as many interceptor fighters-432 Viggen and Saab aircraft— 25 Nato has in the whole of northern Europe. Many of thesa aircraft can use highways as emergency landing strips and a fair proportion of the Swedish Navy is based in docks made of

believe that some of their heavy defence artillery in the Swedish archipelago is so well embedded

in cliffsides that it could withstand all but a direct nuclear The Swedes have tried to let other nations know that they are prepared to open fire if their neutrality is infringed. Twice in the past six months, submarines have been observed

off the Swedish coast and on one occasion the Swedish Navy dropped depth charges near the offending vessel to persuade it to leave territorial waters. A crewman on a Swedish frigate who first saw the submarine

submerge later made a drawing of the vessel and from it the authorities concluded that it was from a Warsaw Pact

The Swedish Navy is well aware of Soviet and East German naval movements in the Baltic. The Russians in their turn are keeping a weather eye on other navies. Three Warsaw Pact minesweepers are at present on permanent station in the Oresund, between Denmark and southern Sweden, monitoring every ship that passes through the strait.

Nato likely to be transformed in 1980s

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent
Nato might have reache
turning point in its history
John Nott, the British Def Secretary, said in Bonn night. The next 10 years w see a transformation in def more significant than change during the past qui

Mr Nort also dropped b hints upon the way his was working as he prepare conduct his own review British defence policy in attempt to make Britain's mitments come into line

available cash. He was speaking to Society of Foreign Policy eve of a meeting of N Nuclear Planning Group. flew to West Germany with Caspar Weigherger, his A

can counterpart. "Technological change accelerating and the p mood has become questioning," he said, "Son us are trying to spread efforts too thinly over too: tasks and we are going to to concentrate our effort

put".
The reference to spre resources too thinly is si cant because of recent spetion over the British Go ment's long-term intention reduce the number of but which have to be met frot national defence budget. Mr Nott said Britain not provided troops in West many, but found 70 per ce Nato naval forces in the ea Atlantic, in addition to deterrent.

"Our commitment to forward defence of Germa not in doubt. It is ne under review nor question There was, however, a lim how far Britain's del spending could go as it already a much higher pro tion of gross national pro than any other European ally.
"So I have no choice by

examine very critically defence outputs. The in the 3 per cent rise called fre Nato-but the outputs need to be varied within a context, Mr Nott said that he did

envisage any change in alliance's doctrine of the d

Giscard slur angers Whitehall By George Clark Political Correspondent

Ministers in London are angry about the accusation made in France on Thursday by President Giscard d'Estaing that the British Government is trying to change the rules of the European Community "in the course of the game", and that 1981 will be the "year of truth" when it is seen whether the United Kingdom really accepts the rules.

Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal and acting Foreign Secre-tary, is likely to make a robust reply to this charge when he speaks in the House of Com-mons tomorrow in a debate on Community affairs. British ministers say the

charge is completely untrue, and that it comes rather oddly from a country which has not exactly been noted for its religious observance of the

Space shuttle countdown begins for Friday launch

From Michael Leapman

New York April 6
The countdown to next Friday's launching of the space shuttle Columbia began as planned last ngiht, despite an electrical fault which had threatened to delay it. By early afternoon the count was three hours behind schedule; but this may be absorbed in the 30hr 20min "cushion" of hold time

built into it. "Set three days, one hour, ir Andı Brown, the official in charge of the countdown, just before 11.30 pm Eastern Standard Time (5.30 am BST) last night, at the launching centre at Cape Canaveral in Florida. "Commence counting at 4.30 pm Greenwich Mean Time." Adding the hold time to the time Mr Brown specified, the launch should take place at

6.50 am EST on Friday. The caused by another short-circ 54br 30min flight will end on and leak in a valve feed Air Force Base in California. oxygen to the craft. B. Yesterday's fault was in a faults were traced and t 'pogo" valve, whose function s to prevent the spacecraft

from being shaken to pieces by oscillation in the rocket engines. The valve opened without being

After hours of frantic searching for the trouble, it was traced to a short-circuit and patched up. Officials decided to start the countdown on sche-

dule, although other pre-lat checks which should have made yesterday will now it to be done in one of "hold" periods to keep countdown on time. The decision not to post;

shows how anxious sp officials are that this ou delayed project should get planned, After so many h ups over the past three they feel a further one make them look silly.

Every such decision has to calculated closely. They wo after all, look even sillier if hurrying the preparators w they were to cause an e bigger problem, causing mission to be delayed ion or even to fail completely. Today's three-hour delay

rected.

At Houston, Texas, vest day, Captain John Young : Captain Robert Crippen, pilots of this first reusa space vehicle, had their fi meetings with their famil before the flight. They t now go into near-isolation avoid picking up any ilin which could delay the laun

Mr Weinberger says was obsolutely wrong, Mr Wein-The Soviet Union had already invaded Poland by a process of osmosis. Mr Caspar Wein-berger, the American Secretary of Detence, said yesterday. If anyone who made such criticism had the opportunity of looking at some of the information coming in, they would not question the gravity Speaking during visits to two Nato air bases in Britain during his first official journey abroad as Secretary of Defence, he said the West had always faced the of the situation. Mr John Nott, the British Defence Secretary, who travelled to the air bases with Mr Weinberger, concurred.

Soviet military activity was still consistent with manoeuv-res, Mr Weinberger said, but problem of whether Soviet action would be "a standard conventional-type invasion, or this was getting less and less credible the longer the activity continued. "We just hope that their actions start to be reversed. If they are indeed manoeuves, as the Soviets have and was a would hope the an invasion by esmosis in which there's a gradual filter-ing in" with additions to the Russian divisions that had already been in Poland for a said, we would hope the manoeuvres will be declared over and the reinforcements The fine line between dif-ferent types of military activity had always been hard to draw,

will go home. he said, but what was taking place now was "intended to have the same coercive effect on the Polish people that an invasion would have". The American Defence Secretary said that apart from Poland the nuclear planning meeting would be to discussing implegroup's devoted mentation of agreements for the strengthening of theatre nuclear forces be dismissed American criticism of him for the Nato allies might become necessary. Mr Weinberger replied: "I think we've seen postponing the meeting because of the crisis created by the assassination attempt on President Reagan.

nuclear planning group meeting in Bonn today and that there would be "concerted state-Such criticism reflected "incomplete knowledge of Nato ments and concerted economic, and the ability of one country to move such meetings around to suit their own convenience. Asked what assurances he could not hurt the h people but would hit the cause of crisis, which was soviet threat.

American correspondent whether by its constant. diplomatic to move such meetings around The difficulty with economic measures was how to do some-thing that would not hurt the Polish people but would hit the root cause of crisis, which was

Mr Weinberger's day began with a flying visit with Mr Nott to RAF Corresmore in South Leicestershire. They then flew asked whether by its constant comments on the gravity of the Polish situation, the United to RAF Cottesmore in South States Administration was not Leicestershire. They then flew guilty of brinkmanship. That to RAF Lakenheath in Suffolk

The initiative for the warning came yesterday from Mr Tom Jackson, the postal workers' leader, who is chairman of the International Committee. He was supported strongly by Mr Frank Chapple, the electricians' general secretary, and Mr

general secretary, and Mr David Basnett, leader of the General and Municipal Workers'

There was no serious dissent,

although some union leaders argued that the TUC ought to

make approaches to the British

Government before going direct to the national union confedera-

tions in East Europe, In the event, the committee strongly reaffirmed its support and recognition of Solidarity as

the independent and estab-lished organization overwhelm-ingly representative of Polish

If there is outside interven-tion in the affairs of Poland

the continuing exchanges between British and Soviet block

Meanwhile, the other men injured in the shooting continue to recover. The most seriously wounded, Mr James Brady, the White House Press Secretary, is making a remarkable recovery from a wound

unions will be put at risk.

workers ".

President given briefings

TUC threat to cut links if

Warsaw Pact invades

British trade union leaders

have warned Eastern block embassies, and national trade union centres in East European

capitals, that all links will be broken off if the Warsaw Pact

countries invade Poland. The TUC International Com-

mittee, in an unusually explicit move yesterday, publicized a message it had sent to union

confederations in East Europe

contenerations in East Europe conveying support for the Polish independent union federation Solidarity and insist-ing: "Poland should be left to solve its problems peacefully and free of any external coercion."

This public warning was preceded by private cautions to diplomats in London that the

price of any armed incursion

into Poland would be an imme-

diate rupture in East-West union contacts, which are highly prized by the Soviet Union and

Washington, April 6
President Reagan is making

a good recovery, a week after being shot, according to hospi-tal officials

From Patrick Brogan

London, flying the flag of Admiral Sir James Eberle, Commander in Chief, Fleet, for the last time at sea in his present command, led a formation of nine Royal Navy warships into Gibraltar on Friday. The ships, together with vessels of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary and aircraft of the Royal Air Force, are exercising this week in the annual national naval exercise
"Springtrain" in the eastern Atlantic narional

and western Mediterranean. The ships are the destroyers London

(leading and Bristol (rear), and the frigates Ariadne, Euryalus, Minerva, Naiad, Rothesay, Bacchante and Achilles (not in that order).

They were joined by the submarines Otus and Sovereign in Gibraltar at the

Japan agrees to sanctions if Poland is invaded

From Peter Hazelhurst Tokyo, April 6

Japan the leading potential donor of economic and technical assistance for the develop-ment of Siberia, has agreed to join the Western democracies and impose sanctions against Mescow if the Soviet Union invades Poland.
The warning was issued in

Tokyo today when Lord Carrington met Mr Masayoshi Ito, the Japanese Foreign Minister, for talks on Poland, Afghanistan, Indo-China and the controversial subject of Japan's lop-sided trade surplus with the EEC.

Informed sources close to the British Foreign Secretary said that Lord Carrington arrived in Tokyo yesterday convinced that the threat of economic sanctions might not carry weight in Moscow unless the world's second industrial power, was prepared

Spain initiates

for 'Guernica'

From Our Own Correspondent Madrid, April 6

Spain has decided officially

to seek the return of Picasso's famous painting "Guernica", inspired by the Spanish civil war, from the New York Museum of Modern Art. A senior Spanish diplomat accompanied by a layer in flower and the senior spanish diplomat accompanied by a layer in flower and the senior spanish diplomat accompanied by a layer in flower spanish diplomat accompanied by a layer of the senior spanish diplomat accompanied by a layer of the senior spanish diplomat accompanied by a layer of the senior spanish senior spanish s

panied by a lawyer, is flying tonight from Madrid to New

its claim

Soviet intervention in Poland. Meeting Mr Ito for talks in Tokyo this morning, Lord Carrington is reported to have said that he did not think that a Soviet invasion of Poland was imminent but military inter-vention might become a clear possibility if the situation in Poland deteriorated.

In the case of intervention Britain would support the imposition of economic measures against the Soviet Union, Lord Carrington said. He went on to imply that the threat of sanc-tions might not deter Moscow if Japan did not support the West. Mr Ito is reported to have assured Lord Carrington that if Poland was invaded Japan was prepared to impose stricter measures against the Soviet Union than those imposed at the time of the Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan.

attempt to persuade the Japanese Export Import Bank to supply Moscow with financial and technical assistance to develop Siberia's resources and construct a 2,500 mile pipeline to bring natural gas from the Yamal Peninsula in western Siberia to west Europe. Japan is still to decide whether it will belp the Soviet Union. Lord Carrington went on to-

day to claim that the Soviet Union now finds itself con-fronted with uncertainties in many areas—the difficulties of maiotaining its troops in Afghanistan, the strain of providing assistance to Vietnam and now the issue of Poland.
Officials who attended the meeting said Lord Carrington believed these factors might deter the Soviet Union from ine time of the Soviet Invasion vading Poland but both West Afghanistan. Europe and the United States Earlier this month Soviet had left the leadership in Mos-

ject of the plan was to create 1.5 million new jobs, and thus

reduce the number of uneni-

The Communist candidate proposed nine measures to

proposed nine measures to achieve this plan. They inclu-

ded a stop to factory closures,

industrial reorganization, the stimulation of national produc-

tion and popular consumption.

He would do this by increasing the minimum wage to 3,300

francs (297) a month, increas-

francs (297) a month, increasing old age pensions and family allowances, and by exempting two million taxpayers from tax. He would propose a cut in "excessive imports" and the protection of national industries in difficulty; a 35-hour working week without loss of exempter.

without loss of earnings; the

suppression of all casual labour, and a professional

ployed by a million.

Pol Por should not remain the focus of resistance in the attempt to drive Vietnamese troops out of the country.

Taking up economic issues during a second round of talks tonight, Lord Carrington is reported to have reminded the Japanese Government that the EEC's huge trade deficit with Japan rose to an all time record of more than \$9,000m (£4,090m) last year.

consequences of intervention.

Turning to Vietnam's mili-

tary presence in Cambodia, Lord Carrington told Mr Ita that Britain believed that Mr

While Lord Carrington emphasized that he was not representing the EEC in any official capacity he warned Japanese leaders tonight that Japan could no longer concentrate a torrent of exports on narrow and sensitive sectors of the European market,

Mr Haig hints at US help for Israel

Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State, talked to government and military leaders here today of helping Israel maintain its military "qualitative edge" in the region after the Reagan Administration delivers sophisticated weapons to Arab countries dedicated to its

A participant in the discussions said the officials talked in terms of increasing American purchases, including military procurements, in Israel which would boost the country's sophisticated industries. Easier credit terms for Israeli procure-ments in the United States were also discussed.

Meeting the press outside the Prime Minister's office before he flew on to Amman for the third leg of his Middle East tour, Mr Haig protested strongly when a journalist talked of compensating Israel for acquiescing to the supply of supplisticated arms to Saudi Arabia. "I don't like the tune of the term ", he scolded.

Mr Begin, standing beside him, added: "I don't think compensation is possible." He explained: "Israel is in a permanent danger and therefore

for them in the strategic alignment being planned for councils.

A great deal of this would have to be done quickly, soon after his election, he said. It ledged according to a partici-



Mr Begin and Mr Haig answer reporters' questions-

countries were hostile to Israel created a dilemma. The United States wanted to lose neither those countries nor Israel, he Israeli officials said later

they could live with the American policy but they did not like it. Mr Begin, who was questioned at the press con-ference about the proposed sale of Awacs (Airborne Warning and Control System) aircraft to Saudi Arabia, replied: "It is a very serious threat to Israel and we said so in candour." Israelis were pleased with

Mr Haig's strong denunciation of the Syrian attacks on Christian enclaves in Lebanon.

Summit meeting: The continuing violence in Lebanon and the threat it poses to the stability of the Middle East emerged clearly today as the stability of the middle East emerged clearly today emerged clearly today as the issue dominating Mr was the condition of success. pant, that the fact some Arab Haig's first visit to the region

(Christopher Walker from Amman). Soon after Amman this afternoon, it was disclosed that an American diplomatic summit to discus the growing crisis will be held here tomorrow, shortly before the Secretary of State departs for Saudi Arabia on the las-leg of his Middle East tour. An American official tok correspondents that Mr John Gunther Dean, the Americal Ambassador to Lebanon, and Mr Talcott Seelye, the American

ambassador to Syria, have been summoned to a meeting with Mr Haig to discuss possible ways of resolving the crisis. Syria's actions against the Lebanese Christians as brutal

and unacceptable ". Leading article, page 13

York to start the process. Señor Inigo Cavero, the Mintster of Culture, said recently he expected the painting to go on show in Madrid this summer. The presence of the lawyer is taken here as a singleon matters of national security, in the head, although doctors the most important at the moment being the situation in Poland. These briefings are given by his staff, and by Vice-President Bush. may be a year hefore it is taken here as a sign that the own how complete his spanish Government may still have to overcome objections from two members of the Medical risks, page 12 painter's family.

passe appears to have deepened today after Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Prime Minister, refused to meet provincial premiers and withdrew a proposal aimed at breaking a parliamentary deadlock over his Government's leader. patriation plan.

The eight provincial premiers weekend they had negotiated an

on April 16 to put the timisung touches to the proposition, and ask the Prime Minister to join them at the conference table.

Trudeau scoffed at His own plan, now held up

Mr Trudeau rejects compromise the suggestion, telling reporters in Parliament, envisages asking he did not take it seriously. He emphatically restated his a bill of rights and an amending position in the Commons today.

"We will meet with them (the premiers) after we have our constitution in Canada and not before". he told Mr loc Clark, the Conservative Opposition leader.

Trudeau's statement suggests his Government has decided to smash the procedural obstructions thrown up by the Conservatives and push the through constitution plan Parliament.

alternative arrangement, They also announced that they intend to meet in Ottawa

The Prime Minister has frequently justified his decision to seek unilateral patriation of the on April 16 to put the finishing constitution on the ground that touches to the proposition, and the provincial premiers were

formula to the constitution-the British North America Act of 1867—before surrendering

The eight dissenting pro-vinces—out of the 10 in Canada —are proposing an alternative amending formula and they would leave the bill of rights to be attached after the constitution was based in Canada, In a weekend interview with The New York Times editorial hoard in New York, Mr Tru-denu withdrew an offer he had made to break the stalemate.

He had said his Government would delay final Commons approval of the measure until the Supreme Court of Canada decided on its constitutional

Radical economic reforms proposed by M Marchais

From Charles Hargrove Paris. April 6

Although M Georges Marchais, the Communist candidate, was the first on the starting line for the presidential elections-he began his campaign in mid-October-he shows no obvious signs of wear and tear. It is no small achievement for a man of 60.

At a press conference today he held forth for more than 90 minutes about his economic plan if elected President on May 10, with a blend of seriousness and humour that he combines so well.



French Presidential **Election**

Every candidate feels it incumbent upon him to produce a detailed plan of what he would do about the economy and unemployment. M Marchais produced his today, after the other three main candidates had already done so. He even claimed his was the only clear and straight-forward one.

His plan would be tinanced in part by a rise in production of 4.5 per cent, partly by "anti-

training programme for young people and adults without Other Marchais methods include anti-capitalist reforms such as a moratorium on dividends for two years, a levy on all higher incomes and on the profits of banks and finance companies, a 100 per cent tax

on non-invested profits, a wealth tax and steps to secure the repatriation of French

capital.

Finally Communist leader called for the implementation of "great democratic reforms" like nationalization, worker participation, and increased powers for joint works

to maintain military edge in region Jerusalem, April 6

destruction.

should be strengthened." Earlier at a closed meeting with officials, Mr Haig told the Israelis there was a place

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Ottawa, April 6 Canada's constitutional im-

that are opposed to Mr Trudeau's controversial plan to bring home the constitution from Britain announced at the

A man dashes across a street in Beirut dividing a Christian neighbourhood fr om a Muslim district of the Lebanese capital.

Co-princes

Andorran air

A radio war has broken out

A radio war has broken out in the tiny principality of Andorra in the Pyrenees between the Council of the Valleys, the Parliament of the principality, and its two coprinces, the President of France and the Spanish bishop of See de Urgel in the province of Lerida.

Lerida.

The battle is over control of

The battle is over control of the two radio stations in its territory: the French Sud-Radio, controlled by Sofirad, a holding company set up by the French Government, which also controls Radio Monte Carlo and Europe Number One, and the Spanish Radio Andorra, which is under the control of the Spanish state company Eirasa.

On Thursday, the two stations were ordered to stop broadcasting because of the failure of the co-princes to ratify a new pro-

co-princes to ratify a new pro-tocol of agreement between them and the principality turn-ing over ownership of the stations to the council.

The two stations are import-

ant to France and Spain. Sud-Radio covers a large area of south-west France, broadcasts

in French, and has about a mil-lion and a half listeners. Radio

Andorra broadcats mainly in French; but also in Catalan and

Spanish. It has about a million

Spanish. It has about a million listeners.

This Lilliputian international crisis is therefore bigger than it looks. Sud-Radio has the highest transmitter in Europe, on the Pic Blanc, at an altitude of 8,700 ft. Radio Andorra broadcasts from Eucamp.

A protocol signed in 1961 between the principality and Sofitad and Eirasa gave them the

rad and Eirasa gave them the right to run the two stations for 20 years, but specified that after that they would revert to

that they would revert to Andorra.

Recently, the Council of the Valleys warned the two coprinces that the 20-year concession would not be renewed, and paid 10m pesetas (about £52,000) to a notary against the future purchase of the two stations.

A new protocol was accordingly submitted a few days ago to the representatives of the co-

princes, the prefect of the Pyreneës Orientales and the bishop's delegate; but the French and Spanish Governments insisted on some modifications of the text which had the effect of acknowledging

the effect of acknowledging Andorran control but not

ownership.
After four days of discussion

therefore, the council decided to

order the two stations to suspend broadcasting, and threatened to resign if the new

Radio Andorra complied

immediately and ceased to

broadcast on Thursday evening.

Sud-Radio, however, defied the order and a bailiff was sent up to the Pic Blanc on Friday morning to order it to close

In the meantime, Sofirad has

lodged an appeal with the two

principality. Its programmes

were broadcast normally at

down.

protocol were not adopted.

in war of

From Charles Hargrove Paris, April 6

waves

Oil states' cash curbs threaten schools for Palestinian refugees tinian employees in J the 12 foreign employee the 12 foreign employee been advised to take the 12 foreign employee been advised to take

From Christopher Walker
Amman, April 6
United Nations schools for
175,000 Palestinian refugee
children in Jordan and Syria
are threatened with permanent
closure at the end of next
month because of the refusal of most oil-rich Arab states to meet the S25m (511m) budget deficit facing the United Vations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA).

Agency (UNRWA).

For political reasons, most Arab governments have refused to increase their total contribution to UNRWA's budget. Their contribution stands at about 6 per cent, only slightly more than that contributed by Britain alone. In addition, Libya has falled to provide \$5m which it pledged in 1979.

"As far as the Arab leaders are concerned, the West is responsible for the Palestinian problem because it created the

blem because it created the state of Israel," explained Mr John Tanner, UNRWA's director n Jordan. "Therefore they point that the West should pay

Because of the present cash risis, UNRWA submitted un-successful requests for Arab sid to the Amman summit last November, to the Islamic sum-mit in Saudi Arabia earlier this year, and to the Palestine Liberation Organization. Earlier, a suggestion that the efugees' education should be subsidized by a small levy on Viddle East oil was turned fown by the producing nations. Although UNRWA has been n financial difficulties before. he present deficit is the most erious faced in its 30-year

Notices for the 5,000 Pales-inian teachers at the schools of Syria and Jordan have dready been printed, ready for distribution in three weeks ime if there is no sudden in-low of funds.

The impending closure of the ichools and other economy neasures, including a halving of the flour ration for refugees, as led to increasing tension perween UNRWA's small international staff and its Pales- area."

The anger felt by the local Palestinians is directed not at the Arab states, but at the main Western governments who have provided a number of reasons for not providing higher contributions to UNRWA's total budget of \$231m. These have included the recession, domestic inflation and the prevailing political climate.

which facilitated, during its 30 years of mandate in Palestine, the establishment of the state of Israel." In Syria, Al Baath, the paper of the ruling party, described the decision to shut the schools as "an imperialist-American scheme".

ments, who feel that they already contribute enough, This feeling was reinforced when, in response to a recent appeal, America contributed an extra \$10m while Saudi Arabia, one of only two Arab governments which responded, offered S5m. In spite of official warnings In spite of official warnings delivered to Syria and Jordan about the threatened closure of the schools, both governments have refused to enter into any negotiations with the United Nations about the possibility of taking over the school structure in the refusee camps

in the refugee camps.
In a recent memorandum, Mr
Olof Rydbeck, the Swedish
Commissioner-General
UNRWA, gave a warning that
the closing of facilities for the
175,000 children could have
grave consequences in the middle East. "The implications go
beyond the humanitarian", he
stated. "They raise very serious
questions for the stability of the
area."

Cuban military advisers in

Liberia but noted that Cuba

tary advisers have spread across

troops, a pentagon official said.
The destroyer, the 7,800-ton
Thorn, is due to arrive on the

anniversary for a visit of several days. Pentagon officals said that Liberians tended to look

for unrest on anniversaries.— New York Times News Service.

American 'Green Berets' to support Liberian leader

Washington, April 6.—The leagan Administration has to Liberia but that the United States had persuaded President Doe not to accept them. Libya has recently sent forces into the central African state of the central African state of feets of military aid from Colonel Moammar Gaddai, has indicated his interesting.

by a according to a State
bepartment official.
The official said that sending
soldiers from the Special
orces, better known as the reen Berets, and a missile-iring destroyer was intended to ersuade Master Sergeant Doe take United States interest as

You're dealing with a Africa in recent years, argeant," the spokesman said. Be'll take us more seriously there's a military dimension our aid."

While the United States has nected no one waiting to top-

e Sergeant Doe from power, e spokesman said the Adminiration would be confronted unknown if he fell. rgeant Doe came to power in coup a year ago. The spokesman said that bya had made soundings

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rought ends om Our Correspondent 2 Paulo, April 6 len days of non-stop rain e ended the two-year ught over much of Brazil's

th east, drowning at least 30 ple, and making 50,000 Recife at the weekend, ident Figueiredo announced (1,200m (£545m) programme the region this year the proposal is that the ers of the 1,866-mile long Francisco River, one of the largest should be

Assam official bomb explosion

Delhi, April 6.—A senior civil servant was killed today when a bomb exploded in his office in India's troubled north eastern state of Assam. Mr E. S. Parthasarthi, administrative head of Upper Assam, was in his office in Jorhat Town, the Press Trust

of India reported.

More than 290 people have been killed during a 19-month-old campaign in Assam against illegal immigration, mostly from Bangladesb. Another it's largest, should be alized over its watershed, line the basins of rivers the north which now dry up. of Gauhati.—Reuter.

security precautions.

Attacking the closure plan, the general committee of the 725,000 refugees in Jordan said in an angry statement: "Eritain was the midwife which attended at the birth of the bastard, and it was Britain which facilitated, during its 30 years of mandate in Palestine

The refusal of the Arab states to bail UNRWA out has angered many Western govern-

in the refugee camps.

Pakistan hopes for US Party man military aid brighten

30 miles tot he east, went into its sixth day.

President Elias Sarkis ordered another ceasefire today, the fourth since the fighting started last week. Mr Sarkis is the supreme commander of the ADM and commander-inchief of the Lebanese armed forces, both of which have been relatively quiet.

The battles tdok a turn for the worse in the past 24 hours with reports that long-range artillery shells were falling on areas in the mountains Christian enclave which have hitherto been relatively quiet.

The Lebanese leftist coalition, known as the National Movement, also declared total mobilization "to fight the bat-

From Hasan Akhtar

From Tewfik Mishlawi

The chancese of foreign inter-

vention in the Labanon in-creased today as heavy fight-ing between Syrian troopsa of

the Arab Deterrent Force (ADF), and Lebanese right-wing militias in Beirut and the Roman Catholic town of Zable,

30 miles tot he east, went into

Beirut, April 6

Pakistan will resume minis-terial-level talks with the United States Government later this month to seek a new basis for what it calls a "mutually satisfactory and durable rela-

Mr Agha Shahi, the Foreign Minister, will visit Washington on April 20 at the invitation of Mr Alexander Haig, the

The official statement about Mr. Shahi's visit to Washington came today amid strong speculation that General Zia ul-Haq's indicated his intention to spread his influence further. A Pentagon official said that the United States had not seen regime has secured a symparegime has secured a sympa-thetic response from the Reagan Administration to Pakistan's military and econ-omic requirements. This is partly because of the growing concern for security in the Gulf and the presence of more than 80,000 Soviet troops in Afghanistan. was trying to set up a diplo-matic mission there. Cuban, East German and Soviet mili-

There have been claims that the United States and Pakistan have struck a secret deal already, but this was Pakistan Foreign Ministry a few days ago. However, it did confirm that negotiations for economic aid and military purchases from the United States had been going on for some

Pakistan Government leaders have recently been talking of the need to strengthen the

Former senior army officers have been giving lectures on radio and television emphasizring the military superiority of Pakistan's two immediate neigh-hours, India and Afghanistan, which are both getting direct Soviet military support.

The Lebanese leader con-ferred on the telephone today with his Syrian counterpart, President Assad, who is send-ing Mr Abdul Halim Khaddam, his Foreign Minister, to Beirut tomorrow to attempt to stop the fightaing, which has already left 160 peopled ead and more than 500 wounded

than 500 wounded.

The bartles took a turn for

American reports of the imminent White House response to Pakistani requirements has caused an uproar in India. The Indian Foreign Minister is due to have talks in Washington on this issue only a few days be-fore Mr Shahi's arrival.

Pakistan was associated mili-tarily with the United States for about 16 years, but felt cheated by Washington during the fighting with India in 1965 and 1971.

When Pakistan insists on a more satisfactory and durable relationship, it is emphasizing the necessity for firm American guarantees against any recurrence of the old American atti-

tude towards Pakistan, where India is concerned.

It is also implied that the new relationship compel Pakistan to lose its newly earned non-aligned status. A desire for realignment with the West, to secure military protection against Soviet and Indian threats, has been grow ing not only in official circles but also in right-wing news-papers and among right-wing leaders. The recent drive against

country militarily, and today left-wingers, including the General Zia told garrison troops Pakistan People's Party, seems abour 70 miles from here that to have removed all visible signs the Government was deter- of opposition to this swing to mined to provide necessary the West.

Former teacher hanged

From Our Correspondent Islamabad, April 6

A 26-year-old former school Tara Masih, the executioner who hanged Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the former Pakistan Prime Minister, two years ago. Illias Ghiasa, who was sen-tenced to death by special military court 18 months ago for several bank robberies and murders, was hanged in Kot Lakhpat jail on the outskirts of Labore early this morning.

petitions to the High Court against his sentence but the new constitution debars ing with military courts' pro-ceedings and orders. His petitions for a reprieve bad also been rejected by President Zia ul-Haq.

Two other young men, described as Mr Ghiasa's accomplices, will be hanged on Thursday. Mr Ghiasa's hanging was watched by four Labore re-

dies in Uganda jail

Intervention risk increases as Lebanon fighting continues

tle of destiny" against the Christiai right-wing forces. The predominantly Muslim coalition has been an ally of Syria and

the Palestinians in Lebanon.

Mr Vassir Arafat, the leader of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, has also announced his movement had taken "important measures" to deal with the "Israeli schemes in Lebanon". He did not say

what these measures were.

Israeli aircraft flew over
Beirut today, inviting a barrage of anti-aircraft fire from

Palestinian, Syrian and National

Movement positions. The gesture was apparently a warning of a possible Israeli intervention if the Syrians continued the

the Palestinians in Lebanon.

From Charles Harrison Nairobi, April 6

Mr George Bakulumpagi Wamala, publicity secretary of the Uganda Patriotic Move-ment, has died of injuries in a military prison after being arrested in Kampala last week, his associates said in Kampala

He was among a number of members of opposition parties arrested and allegedly tortured after guerrilla attacks in the Kampala area. Mr Yoweri Museveni, president of the Uganda Patriotic Movement is leading the Papula's Payer. Uganda Patriotic Movement is leading the People's Revolutionary Army (PRA), one of the main guerrilla groups.

The PRA today claimed to have ambushed three military vehicles about 30 miles from Kampala, and to have killed 46 Ugandan and Tanzanian soldiers. A spokesman said the troops had been sent to ambush a PRA guerrilla force, but were

a PRA guerrilla force, but were themselves ambushed instead. The Government-owned The Government-owned Ugandan Times reported today iemilas armed WILL sophisticated weapons were operating in Bugerere county, 40 miles from Kampala. 40 miles from Kampala. Government forces were trying

From M. G. G. Pillai Kuala Lumpur, April 6 Abour 1,000 Muslim refugees,

About 1,000 Musmi leaves of a believed to be the victims of a between Thai

pimps and Muslim purists, have

trickled into the northern Malaysian states of Perak and Kedah from across the southern

Thailand border.
The United Nations High

Commission for Refugees has begun registering them, but the

move poses no strain on official resources here since most of

the refugees are staying with

Datuk Sri Mahathir Mohamad,

the Deputy Prime Minister, said the refugees would not be

turned back until Malaysia was

convinced that their safety was

assured. However, he emphasized that this "humanizarian gesture" did not mean that Malaysia had changed its policy

relatives.

Eleven killed in week of Yugoslav protests

He said that the consequences Lebanon to assess the situation.

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, April 6

Eleven people were killed, among them two security officers, and 57 were injured during demonstrations by Al-banian nationalists in the southeastern Yugoslav province of Kosovo. The protests began last week and continued for several days despite an official state of

shelling of Christian areas.

Israel, one of the countries most concerned about events in Lebanon, has already said it would not stand idly by watch-

ing "the Syrians murder the Lebanese Christians."

American Secretary of State, who held talks with Israeli leaders in Jerusalem yesterday

and today, said before leaving for Jordan, that his country viewed the "brutality of the Syrian action against the

Christian enclave as a very, very serious turn of events, which is unacceptable by any

measure or appropriate inter-national standards of conduct ".

Mr Alexander Haig,

taken by surprise by the violence. The effective organization behind the protests has been frankly admitted by Mr. Stane Dolanc, a senior Yugoslav leader, who is a member of the

Communist Party Praesidium. During a press conference here today, he left no doubt that it wouldtake a long time for confidence to return to the region, which had obviously been seriously shaken by the Albanian protests.

But he confirms that once

the present emergency measures had been lifted and calm was fully restored, Yugoslavia would continue to seek political means for resolving the crisis

Nevertheless the demand for an independent Kosovo republic, which was raised by the demonstrators—who Mr Dolanc insisted could be counted at no

treat the refugees as illegal immigrants and to employ the full force of the law to prevent

them settling, the Deputy Prime Minister said.

movement of people along the border, but the present flow into Malaysia is unusual. The

refugees say they have been harassed by communist terror-

ists and by men " in Thai Army uniform ".

One cause for the fear among the Thai refugees is that they

may consider themselves targets

for retaliation against the in-creased activity by Muslim separatist groups in southern Thailand.

These separatist groups had until recently confined their activities to the eastern states of southern Thailand, but now

There has always been free

1,000 Thai Muslims flee to Malaysia

would not be granted as this would mean not only a violation of Yugoslavia's federal constitutional order, but in the long run, the beginning of the country's disintegration.

This is the strongest condem-

nation of the Syrian action in

Lebanon to come from the United States. Mr Haig also

said that this action might have

been a "diversion ordered by

the Soviets to draw attention

away fro mactions the Soviets

were contemplating in Poland". President Giscard d'Estaing of France, who had earlier

appealed to President Assad of

Syria for restraint and moder-

ation, is sending an emissary on

a fact-finding mission to

We have decided to ease "We have decided to ease the present emergency measures and normalize life in the region through political means and activity," Mr Dolanc said. Yugoslavia would not be shy of using all the means at its disposal to deal with anyone who, in whatever way, might threaten the nation's integrity, independence and non-alignindependence and non-align-

been made by several other leading Yugoslavs, about the link-up between the organizers of the demonstrations in Kosovo and emigres recruited both from pro-Soviet opponents and extremists on the other side was emphasized once more by Mr

Akthough of different ideo-logical views, they were united he implied, by a joint interest the ancient procedure of the slavia

Altogether 33 demonstrators

have been arrested, and many more were detained for questioning and later released.

pore, have losta considerable business because of the terrorist activities.

massage parlours and hotels

that they will be considered targets if they continue to pro-

vide sexual services for their clients. The threats have been

reinforced by sporadic bomb

Malaysian officials believe that the pimps and gangsters, who are losing a lucrative in-

come because of the separarists, may have retaliated, causing the present Muslim migration

warned the operators

The Muslim groups have

weekend. Radio Andorra, for its part, appealed to the Council of the Valleys; but the appeal has not yet been heard.

There is a serious issue at stake. In the past 20 years Andorra has emerged from the Middle Ages into the consumer society of the end of the twen-Malaysia would continue to they are also operating in the tieth century. It enjoys an unprecedented tourist boom. western states.

Travellers say that the southwestern Thai towns of Haadyal
and Songkhla, which used to
attract large numbers of tourists from Malaysi and Singa-

Every year 10 million visitors come and buy goods tax free, from what is the largest supermarket in Europe.

The tiny state is also a tax paradise, and is the official residence of 22,000 foreigners. There are only 8,000 native Andorrans. Yet the Government of the state remains archaic, and young Andorran intellectuals, who have studied in Montpelier, Toulouse or Bar-

celona, are increasingly impa-tient of it.

They do not challenge the tutelage of the two co-princes, which is the basis of their country's independence and prosperity; but they want control of radio stations, and a stature after the pattern of

lacks given fresh hope with 12½ acres of low-quality land, a pack of seeds, a few tools and some fertiliser

ribal land pressures force Zimbabwe to step up resettlement pace

u Zimbabwe

changed Mr Stephen Madau last ember. Until then he, his and five children had tout an impoverished exise in the Gutu tribai trust l in central Zimbabwe one : he most densely populated s of the country and one th was most severely ged by the war. ten in the middle of last

he was selected from more 3,000 applicants to move to former white farmland th had been purchased by Government as part of its resettlement programme. built himself a house, some maize and vege-seeds which were pro-by the authorities and began preparing a larger of land on which he is to plant more crops the next planting season 2s round.

: Madau is still desperar Madau is still desperapoor, but for the first crops.
in his life he has hope.
longer need he be faced an acr
a future of assured bouse
rty and hunger. "I will where be able to support my which I was not able to of the small piece of land I or for sale.

in the tribal trust land", Each family was also prothe tribal trust land",

Madau is one of 528 peafarmers to have been

farmland around Gutu, about dramatically 180 miles south of Salisbury.
Madau last Altogether some 4,000 men,
then he, his women and children have been moved on to 33 farms totalling

> The project is the first (and largest) of six schemes which have so far been initiated around the country as part of the Government's programme for relieving the pressure on land in tribal areas by resettling peasant farmers on un-used or under-utilized white

> It is being run by Mr Watson Chidawanyika, an official from the Ministry of Lands, who until a few months ago was a student at the University of Kent.

> The settling of families began around Gutu late last year and, due to some initial mix-ups, was only completed at the beginning of this year, which meant it was too late for some of them to plant

Each family was given half an acre on which to build a house and a plot of 12 acres grow maize, groundnuts or cot-ton—either for their own use

vided with a seed pack, a few implements and some fertiners to have been lizers so that they should be on former white able to feed themselves by the

Nicholas Ashford, The Times Southern Africa correspondent, looks at Zimbabwe's agricultural revolution in the second of six articles about the country a year after independence.

time the Government's emer-gency feeding programme ends this month. Although most eople planted late I think hey should have just enough hood to see them through this ear.", Mr Chidawanyika said.

The land is not of a very good quality, which explains why most of the white farmers way most or the white farmers were only too happy to sell to the Government. Most of it will be used for communal grazing. "What we need now it was to be a sell to the way to sell to the wa is loans so we can buy more cattle." Mr Madau said. Mr Madau bas been appointed vice-chairman of a committee which has been set up to allow the "settlers", as they are called, to discuss problems of common interest

such as the location of schools where they will be able to and a planued rural service centre and to liaise with Mr. Mr Chidawanvika. anvika regards this committee as providing a basis for a collective approach to peasant farming on the Gutu scheme. The question of land settle: ment is probably the most im-

portant issue facing Mr Robert Mugabe's Government and was one of the main themes of last month's aid donors' conference which raised over £630m towards development projects which raised towards deve in Zimbabwe. Mr Mugabe told the conference that the existence of impoverished, overpopulated tribal areas was the "ugly side

of our so-called dual econo-my ... a sort of colony within a Well over four million Zim-babweaps live in the rribal areas which comprise just over 40 per cent of the land area, or about 35 million acres. In many areas the soil is poor, rainfall irregular and the land has been eroded because of The land question was at the

heart of the guerrilla war which preceded Zimbabwe's which preceded Zimoawe's independence and Mr Mugabe is aware that his Government's success or failure will ultima-tely depend on the way it hanles the land question. ment of Lands has only a hand-The man responsible for ful of tractors, lorries and bulldles the land question.

Sekeramayi, Minister of Lands, Resettlement and Rural Development. He is a young doctor who spent a number of years in Sweden before returning to Zimbabwe last year. Since he took office about

1,500 families have been reset-tled on just under 300,000 acres of former white land. pressive but, as Dr Sekeramavi pressive out, as or sekeramayl pointed out, "we were really starting from scratch. No-one had any first-hand knowledge about how to proceed with land redistribution."

The settlement programme will be speeded up this year. A total of over four and a half million acres of former white land is now on offer to the Government on which it is hoped some 20,000 families can One of the main constraints has been money. In order not to undermine the viability of the commercial farming sector

the Government has been acquiring land on a "willing seller, willing buyer" basis. At an average of about £10 an acre a lot of money is needed, although this should now be forthcoming in view of the success of the donors' conference. Another constraint has been lack of equipment. The Depart-

really can't get on very fast until we have more equip-ment", a semior government official commented. Some vehicles have been promised by aid donors but they have yet to arrive. Dr Sekeramayi is determined

to continue acquiring land through purchase rather than requisition. But what will happen when there are no more willing sellers? "This is not an immediate problem", he said, "but we are considering such possibilities as a ceiling on the amount of land people can own or possible a land tax. But all options are conditional on the terms of the constitution agreed at Lancaster House."

The minister's pragmatic approach extends to the question of cooperatives and collec-tive farms, a concept which spreads fear within the com-mercial farming sector.

He said it was not the Government's intention to compel anyone to join cooperatives or collectives but he hoped, for instance, that peasant farmers might come to realize that such systems would help them it came to seeking credit, marketing their produce or buying in bulk. "But we are

not going to force this on people", he added. Next: the white farmers.

Negative side to political system, Mr Mugabe says

From Stephen Taylor Salisbury, April 6

Zimbabwe at the Lancaster House talks had unduly limited and qualified the powers of Parliament, Mr Robert Mugabe said in the House of Assembly today. Addressing the opening of a seminar here organized by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, the Prime Min-ister said the restriction applied particularly to Parliament's power to amend the constitution. It fettered the right of the people to make such amendments as the majority might consider desir-

The constitution was agreed by all parties at the ta after weeks of negotiation. Mr Mugabe told MPs and delegates from Britain, India Tanzania that, where a unanimous vote was required for change, an individual could old the nation to ransom. But he added that, though the limitations might "frustrate the realization of the popular the Government committed to uphold the constitution.

Mr Mugabe was also critical alisbury, April 6 of the parliamentary "politics
The constitution drafted for of negativism". The arguments in favour of the cut-and-thrust of partisan debate did not outweigh the responsibility to unite Zimbabweans "and instil in them a single loyalty and a common national iden-

tity".

Negativism had no place in a young country. While people were without adequate incomes and opportunities, it could not be Parliament's role to place trivia on a pedestal. my indictment of the multi-party political order and its sponsorship of negative forces". Mr Mugabe said.

The Prime Minister referred obliquely to the way in which MPs should deal with the crisis of expectations * Zimbabwe's majority.

He said people found it hard to accept that the prices of basic commodities had to go up "in the era of the people's power". Similarly, some had not understood why the Government had called for reconciliation among groups that had been in conflict.

Bus crash kills 21

Jakarts, April 6 .- Twenty-one eople were killed and 32 injured when an inter-city passenger bus crashed in Cianjur, 75 miles south east of here.

Bogotá goes dry

Bogota April 6.-A breakdown at a water purification plant left Bogotá, a city of five million people, without drinkPARLIAMENT, April 6, 1981

Nation getting better value from BSC under new chairman

Britain was getting better value out of the money going into the British Steel Corporation since the appointment of Mr Ian MacGregor as chairman, Mr Norman Tebbit, Minister of State for Industry, said during a question on subsidies to the corporation.

Mr Tebbit (Waltham Forest, Chingford, C) stated: Over the 10 years to the end of March 1981, the Government has provided or guaranteed finance to the BSC amounting to about £5,700m to finance its capital investment programme, working capital requirements, redundancy costs and revenue deficits. The latest estimate for 1981-82 is about £750m. mate for 1981-82 is about £750m. Mr Sydney Chapman (Barnet, Chipping Barnet, C): On average over the last 10 years, every man, woman and child in this country has subsidized British Steel to the tune of about 590. That is a consi-derable amount of money.

We have the right to see that this money is used for sound capital investment. Will he under-take continually to survey this? Fir Tebbit: Yes, I am painfully aware of the expense involved. Following the appointment of Mr fan MacGregor and the improved practices which he has instituted, we have got far better monitoring practices in the department. Although it is not possible to say that money can only be used for capital investment, certainly we are fully of the opinion that we are getting better value out of the money that goes into the steel corporation now than before. He may have seen the article in the Financial Times today con-

cerning remarkable increases in productivity being achieved in parts of BSC. Mr Michael Brown (Brigg and Scunthorpe, C): The amount of public funding given by this administration far exceeds any public assistance given by the previous administration. When will the corporation be moving into

sums in the corporation. Previous investment was wasted due to political interference and a reluctance to tackle more efficient management and working practically and the corporation of the corporation.

I cannot predict when BSC will come into profit because this depends not least upon when the European market in steel is res-tored to a level where the most efficient manufacturers of steel are able to cover their costs. Mr Roy Hughes (Newport, Lab): Is the Government taking into consideration the lessons learnt the hard way by previous Govern-ments? We closed down many coal mines and thought we could bank on cheap oil from the Middle East. Now the same thing could happen with steel. We could rely on overseas supplies, close our own works down and when the upturn comes we will not be guaranteed supply.

Mr Tebbit: He has to be optimistic to believe that 14m tonnes of steel capacity from Eritish Steel will leave us short in the near future and there is considerable capacity to increase steel making if necess

Mr Hilary Miller (Bromsgrove and Redditch, C): What advice would he give to people in the private sector needing now to consider whether to invest in order to Mr Tebbit: The private sector's future, like that of the public sec-tor, depends more critically upon

the level of prices in Europe as a whole than upon anything else. Therefore, they must look with the same degree of anxiety as I do to the meetings between European steel manufacturers to see whether an improvement in prices may be achieved by some reductions in

Equally, they must look to the meetings of the Council of Minis-ters which I have been attending and another one of which I will attend tomorrow, (Tuesday) which have ambitions of removing public subsidy to the steel industry in the reasonably foreseeable future. Mr John Cumingham, an Opposi-tion spokesman on industry, (Whitehaven, Lab): Mr Mac-Gregor, before a select committee, pointed out that no one of any consequence was making profit in the steel industry world-wide at

It comes ill from the Government benches for people to criticize investment in our manufacturing industry particularly when the Government is committed to the modernization and greater efficiency of British industry. Even in the present world cli-mate, the Japanese baye announced further large tranches of investment in their steel in-

dustry. How can we hope to com-pete without this level of invest-ment in a basic and strategic in-Mr Tebbit: I am inclined to agree

with him. We need investment to make the steel industry profitable and effective. That is what we are

My colleagues are not criticizing investment in the steel industry. They are criticizing the situation where production of steel is subsidized in the public sector but the private sector, which faces similar problems, is left without such a deep nurse of expresses aid and is

ICL a key company with good prospects

International Computers Ltd was responding to its difficulties positively and with determination, Mr. Kenneth Baker, Minister C. 1:ate for Industry, said when he moved the approval of the Firincial Assistance to Industry (International Computers Limited) resolution.

which was hitting the high techno logy and computer industry parti-

ICL was geared to growth and a high level of expenditure and research and development. A severe and prolonged flattening out of sales which hit profitability rise to the company's

This resolution was being made under Section 8 of the Industry Act, 1972. It provided a Government guarantee of loan facilities advanced by banks to ICL. The proposed loan guarantee was limited to an amount up to \$200m for a period up to two years.

The Government had a speical The Government had a speical interest in ICL as a major customer for its products. It had coninment valued at more than £300m, supporting vital operations in some 20 departments including defence, revenue assessment, energy, agri-culture, and health and social

The comapny had taken vigorous action to contain costs including 10 per cent redundancies already announced across its United Kingdom workforce and a proposal for 2 zero pay increase this year. There had been a recent state-ment of confidence by the ICL compact users association.

This measure was a constructive, but limited measure of government support for an important com-ponent of a key industry with excellent long-term prospects.

Mr John Garrett, an Opposition spokesman on industry (Norwich, South, Lab) said that now that the Government had come to the rescue of ICL it had to participate in its future. This led to a number of important questions which the Government must answer.

There had been severe criticism ICL management and its product strattgy. The board was far too optimistic about growth demand for its products. It needed more outside directors of a high more outside directors of a high calibre. How did the Government

pose to do anything about them?
The rescue of ICL, which the Opposition welcomen, made it im-perative that the Government swal-lowed its ideology once again and produced a policy and plan for the future of this company in a crucial area of industrial development.

Mr Baker (City of Westminster, St Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove, C) Marylebone, C) said the downturn in the company's fortunes had given the company a breathing been caused primarily by the impact of the worldwide recession that There seemed to be a certain given the company a breathing space, but it was no more than that. There seemed to be a certain confusion in the minds of manage-ment as to whether ICL was in the business of competing with the big boys or intended to concentrate upon specialist areas of the techno logical scene where it felt it could make a real contribution. A choice was involved here which could not be ducked.

> Mrs Gwyneth Dulwoody (Crewe, Lab) said the company was created and developed with taxpayers' money. The Government could not wait to sell off the shares to anyone prepared to take them, irrespective of the national in-

> It had had to admit that the people who took over control, benefiting from taxpayers' past efforts, were unable to cope unless their operation was underwritten by taxpayers' money once again. Mr Baker, replying to the debate. said it was not usual practice to reveal details of applications for research and development assist-

But we are considering (he said) a range of proposals from ICL which could lead to our doubling the current level of our support for the company's product develop-ment activities in the coming year. The most important thing being done just now was the strategic review of the compnay's examing where ICL should be going in

tage in taking up a new sharebo ing or involving the NEB again. The order was agreed to. The Insurance Companies Bill passed the remaining stages.

Parliamentary notices House of Commons
Today at 2.30: Debate on
motion on youth unemploy
rosed private Bill: Greater
Bill.

Today at 2.30 Companies (No 2) Bill, report (second day).

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Why Sir Peter Hayman was not named committee of the Paedophile Information Exchange (PIE), was that they were encouraging crimi-nal offences by publishing contact example blackmail cases, this dis-cretion provides flexibility and sufficient safeguards in the in-

Drive to buy | Charity Commission attacked for

There was widespread disquiet over the case of Sir Peter Hayman, Mr Jeffrey Thomas QC, an Opposition spokesman on legal affairs, said during questions. There appeared to be a clear violation of the doctrine of equality before the law.

Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney General, replied there was no question of Sir Peter Hayman or any of the other nine con-cerned in the Paedophile Information Exchange ring being given special treatment. Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab) had asked the Attor-ncy General to introduce legisla-tion to define the circumstances in

which anonymity might be granted to witnesses or potential wit-nesses before the courts. Sir Michael Havers (Merton, Wim-

our microses stavers (merron, wim-bledon, C): No. The general rule is witnesses must be identified, but statutory provision already exists to protect the identity of witnesses in rape cases and cases concerning children and young A court has discretion which is rarely exercised to allow witnesses to give their evidence with-

British

in public

State for Industry, said at question time that he is to see ministers

in the main Government purchas

ing departments about the im-

Mr Gwilym Roberts (Cannock,

Lab) had asked if the Secretary

of State for Industry would take

further steps to encourage British

industry to " buy British " when

ponents, capital equipment and

raw materials whenever possible.

Mr Baker (City of Westminster, St Marylebone, C): The Govern-ment hopes that both the public and private sectors will seek to improve the competitiveness of

But purchasers should not "buy British" regardless. Suppliers must produce what is required at the right time at the right price to a satisfactory standard.

Mr Roberts: Our public sector purchasing policy is in a shambles compared with most of our in-dustrial competitors. In view of

dustrial competitors. In view of the evidence I supplied recently about the way British Leyland knocked Lucas about in terms of headiamps purchases, would he look at BL's purchasing policy? Mr Baker: I am aware of the cor-respondence he has had with the

respondence he has had with the department. I have been told that BL buys 95 per cent of its com-ponents from British firms, a high

I completely refute his allega-tion that public purchasing by public corporations is a shambles. We have initiated a new drive where Government departments and nationalized industries are

concerned to try to get suppliers and customers to work more

That is the most effective way of improving Government pur-chasing policy.

Mr Peter Emery (Honiton, C):

Both in the private and public sectors there is no point in buying British unless it is of a reasonable

and proper quality.

What should be encouraged is

what should be encouraged to for all buyers in all industries to "TBBB"—" Think British before buying." That is the best approach to getting best value.

Mr Baker : He is right. There was

an announcement last week by the Debenham's group which is follow-ing that policy. That is the best

way to get the results we all want.

Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-

Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-West, Lab): Would be appeal to MPs and everyone in the Palace of Westminster to buy British in-stead of foreign cars? The joint leader of the so-called Social Democratic Party, not in the House, claims to be a great Com-mon Market supporter wet be buy-

mon Market supporter yet he buys

Mr Baker: Each MP must decide

for himself what he buys. My wife has bought a Metro—{Cheers}—so we have put the rather slender resources of the Baker family where the Government's mouth is. (Renewed laughter).

on shorthold

a Volvo, the only car in Europ not made in the Common Marke (Laughter).

closely together.

percentage for any company.

their UK suppliers.

portance of "buying British".

Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-West, Lab): He wore the right Sir Michael Havers: There is no such rule, and Mr Price does not have his facts right.

The crux of the case against
O'Carroll and others, all of whom
were members of the executive

The Charity Commission had been wrong in saying, in a statement after the conclusion of the recent libel case in the High Court, that it

libel case in the High Court, that it did not have power to investigate or remove the Unification Church from the list of charities, Mr David Meilor (Wandsworth, Putney, C) said. He was speaking in the debate on the motion for the House to rise for the Easter recess on Thursday of next week until April 27 and that it should not sit on May 4 (May Day.)

Mr Mellor said the House should

discuss the continuing charities status of the "Moonies" Church

status of the "Moonles" Church or Unification Church. Last Tuesday, at the end of six months of careful consideration in

the High Court before a highly experienced judge, the jury had taken in that context, the derisory

amount of five hours to find for the Daily Mail in the libel case. He was satisfied that any com-mon sense person would have had

mon sense person would have had the opportunity to consider the evidence against the sect published by the Daily Mail and by The Times which also had an action for libel against it, which he trusted would not now proceed.

The Charity Commission, was wrong in saying that it did not have powers in law either fully to investigate the activities of the sect, and, thereafter, if things that were said in the trial were ture, to remove them from the register of charities, or peremptorly, without

charities, or peremptorily, without recourse to investigation, remove

In refusing to do so, the commis-

sioners were acting in ignorance of

their powers and in such a way as to call into question the effective-ness of that body as guardians of the status of charity, which should

not be abused. It was a scandal if it was being abused in the way be

was being abused in the submitted it was.

If it was true that the 1960 Act did not give the commissioners power properly to investigate those matters, the House should take an active conceptuality fully to investi-

early opportunity fully to investi-gate the law to ensure that they

early opportunity fully to investigate the law to ensure that they
could draft a more cogent statute
to enable them to take action.

If the statement by the Churity
Commissioners had been an
accurage statement of the law, the
law would be an ass, but it was not
the law, and he had arranged a
meeting with the chief commis-

sioner tomorrow in an attempt to persuade him that his view of the

law was wrong.

While it was fair to say that the chief commissioner had accepted with proper speed his request for a

meeting he was not encouraged about the commissioner's attitude,

as a result of interviews relayed on the radio today. He appeared to be saying that those who criticized him did not understand the law.

By one or two off-the-cuff remarks, he appeared to be labell-

ing this as thother instance of publicity-crazed MPs and newspapers getting together to attack the commission. He had not used the phrase "publicity-crazed" but

He was encouraged to believe his view was right because he had been telephoned by a senior member of the Chancery Bar who had been at make the chancery bear who had been at the chancer bear

pains to point out his distress at the inaccuracy of what the chief commissioner had bad to say about

had said that his (Mr Mellor's) view of the commissioners' power was right, and in an in-

on May 4 (May Day.)

Mr Price : If the Bill goes through.

Mr Price: If the BiH goes through. Without going into the merits of the Hayman case and MIS, and whether MIS are capable of finding spies or anything like that, the one issue out of that case, which has not been cleared up, is why one particular witness in that case was

particular witness in that case was allowed, when he was on all fours in every respect with every other witness, not to have his proper name disclosed to the court.

Is there some sort of rule which ensures that senior civil servants

are given preference in this matter?

advertisements. Sir Peter Hayman was never a member of the executive commit-tee, and was therefore not made a defendant in that trial. statutory by the Contempts Bill now before the House.

To obtain the necessary evidence of the purposes of the contact advertisements, Treasury counsel advised that witness statements should be taken from a number of persons, who had advertised. Of those who as a result of this advice made witness extrements, threemade witness statements, threeevidence at the commital proceedevidence at the comment the eight persons who were named as pos-sible defendants along with Sir Peter in the first report referred to in my answer to Mr Geoffrey Dickens (Huddersfield West, C)

Treasury counsel had not in-cluded the name of Sir Peter Hayman as a potential witness because there was no evidence to suggest he had ever been an advertiser or attempted to obtain access to children so as to commit offences

Considerable surprise at the

manner in which the charity commissioners had conducted themselves had been expressed by Mr
Hugh Francis QC, who had carried
out the last investigation which the
commissioners had ordered, into

the Exclusive Brethren, Mr Fran-cis had said he had thought the matter worthy of investigation.

The commissioners had issued their statement after 72 hours. What had they done in those 72 hours? Had they reviewed all the trial evidence? How much investigating did they carry out?

One commissioner had yesterday said that their talks had been "short but not hurried". Reading between the lines, that suggested

between the times, that suggested to him that the most peremptory consideration had been given. Nothing which, in a decent use of the English language, could be called an investigation had been carried out, and that was a dereliction of duty by the commission.

The commission had said that the object of the organization was charitable in law. There was nothing in the Act which restricted

nothing in the Act which restricted the commissioners in their view to the aims and objects set out. He could not think that they were right in saying that it was merely the aims and objects which mat-

He was glad to note that the brain-washing aspect of the matter was to be taken up by the Depart-ment of Realth and Social Secur-

Tthe Times had taken issue with

the commissioners' interpretation that the matter was one for the High Court or for legislation. So did. he. Section 4 (3) of the 1960 Act said "Any institution which

no longer appears to the Commis-sioners to be a charity shall be removed from the register."

removed from the register."

The remainder of the section in no way modified the basic power of the commission to remove any instintion which no longer appeared to be a charity. That was the basis for what he. Mr Hugh Francis and The Times said.

Having seen the verdict of the jury and how carefully the court had considered the matter, the commission should have removed both organizations, the Unification Church and the Sun Mynng Moon Poundation, and told them that if

Foundation, and told them that if

they dissented they should go to the Chancery Division and prove

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zasions were good enough to recog-nize that another visit to British

courts would not be in their or anyone's interests. The 1960 Act gave wide powers

to investigate charities, a partic-ular charity or class of charity. There could be no wider power.

The saddest thing about the lamentable way in which the commissioners had conducted themselves was that they were convicted

out of their own mouths. What they had done in this matter had

only to be contrasted with what they did a few years ago when the question of the charitable status of the Exclusive Brethren came up. They were failing in their public duty and should do more. They should either peremptorily remove

this organization from the list as of now or announce an inquiry with a

failure to investigate Moonies

against them through his member-ship of PIE or otherwise. At the commital proceedings, Sir Peter Hayman was referred to a number of witnesses under the name of Henderson because was the only name by which

No mention was made of him at the trial of O'Carroll under his true or assumed name although counsel for the defence were aware of his true name and could have adduced this in evidence if they had considered it to be rele-

Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop (Tiverton, C): Since sending obscene material through the post even without financial gain is a statutory offence, the Attorney General and the DPP are coming perilously close to following the precedent set by King James II who used prerogative action to dispense with laws with which he disagreed rather than asking disagreed rather than asking Parliament to change them. Sir Michael Havers: If he saying that every time there is evidence of a criminal offence

It was to be hoped that even at

this eleventh hour the commis-sioners would have the good sense

and wisdom to change their minds. They would have the support of anyone who was concerned that charities should be an important

Mr David Stoddart (Swindon, Lab) said there was an individual in his constituency who needed redress.

He had been arrested and placed under constraint for 19 hours for a

Mancock, who had been advised by a solicitor and a bank manager that his cheque was in order, decided that he had paid and that was the end of the matter.

Not long afterwards a couple of policemen arrived at his house, arrested him, took him to the cells and kep thim there for 19 hours.

Justice should not only be tem-pered by mercy but administered with wisdom. It was clear that the

with wisdom, it was their that the clerk of that court had no wisdom. If he had had any sense he would have accepted the cheque, paid it into the bank and drawn the money on behalf of the Queen.

I hope (he said) that by bringing

I hope (he said) that by bringing this matter to the attention of the House we shall get some more circumspect action by the clerk of the Swindon Magistrates' Court and that it will be made clear to him that Parliament does not approve of his oppressive attitude. Mr John Silkin, Opposition spokesman on House of Commons Affairs (Lewisham, Deptford, Lab) said the Moonles had been an interesting point to raise and he was sure

ing point to raise and he was sure Mr Pym would give some indi-

har rym would give some indi-cation about them. It was only fair to say that charitable trusts, and trying to define what was a reli-gion for the purposes of charities, had plagued them and their ances-tors since the first Elizabeth when the original definition of charity

Mr Francis Pym, Chancellor of the

Duchy of Lancaster (Cambridgesh-ire, C) said that Mr Mellor bad

expressed views about the chart-table status and activities of the Moonies which had drawn a lot of

support from various parts of the

on), and all the circumstances and details surrounding it, most cer-tainly will receive a great deal of arrention inside this House and

outside, and by lawyers and all kinds of bodies. There is no doubt

that what has been revealed by that case has caused a great deal of

anxiety.

The Secretary of State for Northern Ireland (Mr Humphrey Atkins) hoped to make a detailed anyouncement about the supply of electricity in Northern Ireland before the end of this month.

The motion was agreed to.

ouse. This particular case (be went

original definition of charity

at records over the past few years.
In this particular case, there were two others who were charged in respect of much more horrify-ing material and the court in its wisdom granted each a conditional discharge

Mr Jeffrey Thomas, (Abertillery, Mr Jeffrey Thomas, (Aperdiery, Lab): The case in point does not lie easily within the parameters indicated a moment or two agn. A matter of general public concern is that there appears to be a clear violation of the doctrine of equality before the law. Have others been shielded in this way? If so who, and in what circum-stances?

stantes:
Sir Michael Havers: I regret that
the detailed answer I have given
does not appear to have been
absorbed. There is no question Sir Peter Hayman or any of the other nine concerned in the ring being given special treatment. being given special treatment.
When it was necessary to consider whether these contact advertivements were having any effect some of those who had advertized were called as witnesses. Sir Peter Hayman had not been an advertizer or used the contact side of the magazine.

Britain at or near the bottom of recession

dence that the country was in the bottoming out phase of the reces-sion or approaching it very closely, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, said during questions part of the nation's life and should not be abused, degraded and brought into disrepute by the acti-vities of such bodies. Sir Keith Joseph (Leeds, North-East, C) was answering Mr Richard Douglas (Dunfermline, Lab) who had asked him, when he met the CBI, to discuss with them "this great phenomena" of the disagreement on if and when the recession was bottoming. This constituent, Mr Malcolm Haucock, who had the temerity to turn right at a "no right)" sign and was fined £20. He thought the penalty inordinately high and decided to protest by writing the cheque on a piece of toller paper. It was perfectly legible and legally drawn, but the clerk of Swindon Magistrates' Court, who seemed to be a mountebank of the first order, decided that he would not accept it. Summoned to appear for non-payment of the fine Mr Hancock, who had been advised by a solicitor and a bank manager that Mr Stanley Orme chief Opposition

spokesman on industry (Salford, West, Lab): Before he meets the CBI will Sir Keith Joseph publish a considered reply to their document The Will to Win which contradicts have Consensed which contradicts We are entitled to know where the Government disagrees with the CBI and, for that matter, with the TUC.

Sir Keith Joseph: Is there really the disagreement he mentions? We await with keen interest the CBI's identification of the savings in public spending which they believe the Government should be making. Their purpose is the same as the Government's—to enable the fall in interest rate and inflation to occur because these are the prime conditions for industrial pros-

repayment (" VAT slower The Inland Revenue will not precipitate action to collect inc tax from firms in difficu tax from firms in difficult because they have not receiver payments of value-added tax, Peter Rees, Minister of S Treasury, said in a written re reasury, said in a written reg Mr Timothy Eggar (Enfield, No C) had asked what was the pos-regarding repayments of vi-added tax to the trading a munity in view of the strik computer idata procession.

No rush for

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computer (data processing) stathe Customs and Excise comcentre in Southend. Mr Rees : I regret that, became this strike, it has not been pos to continue making repaymen value-added tax. The size of operation, about 10,000 repay order, rules out any question making the repayments many even on a selective basis.

Nor is there any valid mean distinguishing between claim order, for example, to deal a ately with claims from a part class of trader or those where

over, Customs and Excise wi all they can to see that repays are resumed as quickly as pos: However, although VAT is tinct from income tax and nat under pay-as-you-earn arm ments, Collectors of Taxes VAT are being delayed.
They will not take precipation to collect pay-as-you payments falling due where is a genuine temporary difficulty about paying in cases of this. Furthermore, in order 40.

Furthermore, in order to the cash flow problems of the cash flow problems of the chemists, arrangements are hanced payment on account of amounts due to be paid to the dispensing.

Mr Michael Brown (Brigg:
Scunthorpe, C) asked the C
cellor of the Exchequer it
would employ, on a tempt
basis, qualified computer open
who were not members of the
Service unions to keep
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puterized tax collection to working normally during the rent Civil Service pay dispute

Sir Geoffrey Howe, said I written reply: Specialist puter operators form only a sproportion of the total required to keep the compute tax collection centres operati The present alternative arra ments have so far resulted in ment to the Exchequer of a stantial proportion of the reve-falling due. The present posi-would not necessarily be impriby attempts to employ de-specialist staff with no dire; relevant experience on the L which would be required.

Proposal on company names to be modified

A proposal to forbid only the registrazion of company names which were exactly the same as names already registered was considered to be a licence to cheat and to blackmail, Lord Mischon (Lab) said during the report stage of the Companies (No 2) Bill.

He said that up to now it had not He said that up to now it had not been possible for the name of a company to be registered if it was similar to the name of another company. The Bill sought to remove from the company's regis-trar the ability to exclude a name which was similar. The sole bads for exclusion was that the name Be moved an amendment which

proposed that names could be ex-cluded if they were the same as a name appearing on the registrar's index or similar to such a name so that it was likely to cause confu-In the view of a great many

bodies and organizations, the Gov-erament's proposal in the Bill was licence to cheat and blackmail because the ability for people register similar names was an invitation to both. ing his amendment included chambers of commerce, the insti-

rute of Directors, the Law Society, the Law Reform Committee of the Senate and the linns of Court and the Bar, the Consumers' Associa-tions, the Consultative Committee of Accountancy Bodies and the Finance Houses Association. If the Government proposal was passed it would open the doors to

people who might want to try to take advantage of a name, which had carned respect in the locality or in connexion with a trade, and see if they could get in on the ticket of the name and do it deliberately. There were those who might do it by mistake. He was seeking to protect people who were entitled in commercial and industrial life to have the benefit unscathed of their good commerical tradition and name that they bore, and to see that nobody was misled.

The Bishop of London said he supported the amendment on behalf of charities who had been advised that they were in grave danger should it be possible for some company to register in a name which was very close to their own and which might deflate gifts to a particular charity which other-wise a donor would wish to bene-Lord Treigarne, Under Secretary

of State for Trade said that for some years the discretion vested in the Secretary of State to refuse to

for new companies, or compa-seeking to change name, had I exercised with the greatest

culty.

In the last two years it had to possible to give only a most of sory inspection to proposed na and inevitably some names to the control of the contr not being allowed which in fo registrar's making. They from the large number of ap cations and existing company

which he had to give attent The ingenuity of those who sou to devise new names was approx ing its limit.
The registrar's staff had to ch tens of thousands of applicati against the index and in m cases that had to be done to over. That aspect of the 1948 C.

panies Act had proved incapable proper administration as number of incorporations creased. Modern technology had provi some belp, but a computer wh

bad been installed did not h where one name was in pract likely to be confused with an That involved human judge and the question was how to within manageable bounds cases to which that judgment to be applied. The Government proposed that in future the return should only disallow nan which were identical to exist ones and in other cases the remains of a passing-off action would available. Those proposals had been to subject of considerable commend the Government had look again to see how they could modified so as to meet to the could meet to expressed concern without undi-eroding the saving in staff.
The Covernment proposals, log

cal and effective as they wendered one point—the psychological effect upon would be proposed one to the registrar's disconnection. asking to that proposed by L Mishcon. He could not accept amendment exactly as draft because it did not provide for accelerated registration proceds However, the Government accepted the principle of amendment and undertook to brit forward appropriate amendmen at a future stage of the Bill.

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The amendment was rejected to the sill. The report stage was adjourned House adjourned, 7.47 pm.

Not only Labour peers are poor Lord Derwent (C): Does he think Lord Brockway would like me to declare my overdraft?

Quick hearings Mr Tristan Garel-Jones (Watford, C) asked the Secretary of State for Some Labour peers would be embarrassed if the patheric modesty of their means was given to potential creditors and the pab-

the Environment, what steps he is taking to help laudiords, who let on shorthold, to obtain a quick on shorthold, to obtain a quick court hearing when they seek repossession of their property. lic. Lord Ardwick (Lab) said dur-Lord Brockway (Lab) had asked if the Leader of the House would take steps to establish a register, as had been done in the Commons. Mr John Stauley, Minister for

Mr John Stanley, Minister for Housing and Construction, said, in a written reply: The Lord Chancellor has made a new set of rules for county court proceedings under the Rent Act. 1977, which will enable landlords who let on shorthold, and other landlords with a mandatory right to possession under the Act, to invoke a special procedure and to obtain an early requiring members of the House of Lords to record their financial interests. Earl Ferrers, deputising for Lord Soames, Lord President of the Council, said: This is a matter for

Hitherto this House has been content to rely on the requirement that if a peer decides that it is proper for him to take part in a debate on a subject in which he has a direct pecuniary interest he

MEPs and rules of immunity

ing custom of the House that peers speak always on their personal honour. Lord Brockway : Because we are a

legislative assembly, sharing that with the Commons, is if not desirable that we should be accountable to the public of whom we are the servents?

Is it not desirable and in favour of once government that we not of open government that we not merely declare our interests when we speak but the public should be able to judge it when we vote? Earl Ferrers: It is essentially a matter for the House. The proce-dure committee considered this possibility in 1974 and they set up a subcommittee. The subcommittee suggested, and the procedure committee agreed, that any such suggestions should be only approved as a result of the procedure com-

mittee agreeing and the whole House agreeing. Neither of these tnings came about.

Earl Ferrers: It would be a fasci-nating revelation but I doubt if this is the purpose of the question Lord Ardwick (Lab): Some of us on this side of the House would be embarrassed if the pathetic modesty of our means was given to the public and our potential crednot reflect only upon Labour peers. Earl of Lauderdale (C): If open

(Laughter).

government is the purpose of this question there may be some case for investigating interests that are other than financial which prompt questions in this House. Earl Ferrers: That is perfectly true and no doubt would be covered by any such investigation.

Science report

Behaviour: Blackbird trickery

By the Staff of Nature The famous trick played by Beau Geste to defend his Saharan fort has long been used, it seems, by birds to keep lutruders from their territories. Observations by Dr K. Yasukawa, of the Rockefeller University, show that male reducinged blackbirds (Agelmus phoenicuus) by about their territories singing different songs in different places to give other birds the impression that the area is fully occupied by males. The ruse ceables males which can sing many different songs to keep other males rut of a large territory and so win more mates than less fluent rivals. To prevent listeners from realizing that there is really only one hird in the area, the red-winged blackbird needs to do two things; chaire that the songs in his repertoire are different enough to sound like the songs of different birds, and switch song types after flying from one place to another. Or Yasukawa confirmed that the birds did both. He analysed the songs with a sound spectrograph and measured the song length, number and type of introductory notes and the form of the trills

empty territory. The number of intruder birds was observed as it was found that the territory was much more successfully defended by the broadcast of a repertory of songs than by that of a single song type. Other species of which have varied song repertoirs may use the same trick at the red-winged blackbird. Clearly, the deception will be most effective in birds which live in density habitat, such as woodland, where his different for return birds to it is difficult for other birds see how many singers there restricts are. The great it (Paus major) is one European species with a sone repetrative that the same species with a sone species with a s one European species in such repertoire that lives in such habitat and there is evidence that

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European Parliament The directly elected Parliament was faced for the first time with a request to consider whether one of its members should be immune from prosecution by the authorities from prosecution by the authorities of his country.

procedure and to obtain an early bearing.

The rules are The Rent Act (County Court Proceedings) Rules 1981 and are contained in Statu-

tory Instrument 1981 No 139 which

The debate arose from a report by its legal affairs committee which recommended Parliament not to waive the immunity of Signor Anselmo Gouthier (Italy, Comm) who, the report stated, was accused of an offence under the laws of the Italian Republic of public safety. After speaking at a public demonstration in favour of peace and disarmament on December 24, 1979, which was not authorized by the authorities in the

The Pretore had suspended proceedings against Signor Gowhier because he was a member of the European Parliament. A request for his parliamentary immunity to be waived was drawn up by the public prosecutor. Nime Françoise Gaspard (France. son Rapporteur of the legal affairs committee, said that Parlia-ment had to decide if not a princi-ple at least a procedure. The Com-mittee had been scrutinizing the

status of MPs throughout the 10 member countries to see the concept of immunity, and to find a proper legal concept to be followed by Parliament.

All member countries attempted metres from it, he was accused of violation of the Italian law The court suspended the procenot to disrupt the work of an MP.
The immunity of European MPs
was enshrined in the protocol on

privileges and immunities under article 4 of the act for direct elections of September, 1976, and arti-cle 10 of the protocol. Members would want such immunity as was recognized by the national Parlia-ment when he was on his territory and when on that of other member states he would be protected from

The report said that under arti-cle 10 during the sessions of the European Parliament its members should enjoy immunity accorded to members of their Parliament in the territory of their state, and im-munity from any measure of deten-ron and from legal proceedings in the territory of any other member state.

Immunity could not be claimed when a member was found in the act of committing an offence and it should not prevent the assembly the immunity of one of its

The court suspended the procedure against him in view of his status as a European MP. The finding of the committee, that Parliament should be recommended net to more that immunity, was Mr Alan Tyrrell (London, East, ED) on behalf of the European Democratic group, said his group had no enthusiasm for immunity for MPs. On the contrary, they thought that there should in principle be no special immunity.

was necessary, and his group was not willing that European Parlia-ment MPs should receive in their

But there might be some member states where immunity

own states less protection than MPs of their national Parliaments. In this case, the Italian Parliament would refuse to waive the immunity and, in those circumstances, his group thought that in this case the European Parliament chould be likewise should do likewise.
The vote on the report takes place tomorrow (Tuesday.)

and showed that the songs in a single bird's repertoire were as different from one another as songs from different birds. Again, observations of when the birds changed song type showed that happened much more uften when the birds flew to a new perch. when the birds flew to a new perch than would be expected if the birds simply changed songs at random. Convincing evidence that the

birds were aware of the differ ence between sougs came from experiments in which rape-recorded songs were played through a loudspecker to hirds with comblished technique. with established territories. When the birds he rd the song, they at first behaved as though another bird was invading their territory and performed a conspicuous aggressive display, spreading their tasks and wings and ruffling their feathers to deign is also feathers, to drive it away.

If the same song was played repeatedly, the birds soon lost interest and stopped displaying when they heard it. If the song type was then changed the birds began their aggressive displays again as though a new lutruder had arrived

song type. it, too, assesses how crown area is by listening to its rivals Source: Arimal Behavious (rol 29, p 114) 1981. SORES.

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The London Collections

For the first time since the 1960s British fashion has hit a winning streak. A new mood of confidence and certainty swelled among the leading designers during last week's London fashion showings.

The spark was ignited as Vivienne Westwood's swashbuckling pirates burst on to the stage in a flash of fireworks and a puff of smoke. Her ringleted models, with their gilded lips, frilled smock shirts and baggy breeches, embodied the romantic theme of the London collections at its most youthful, extrovert and joyous.

The same sense of fun, but with more elegant and restrained clothes, stalked the catwalks all week. Britain is not as strong on sportswear as our European counter-parts, but women will like the softened-up sporty line which comes from exchanging classic ankle-length trousers for knee breeches. They are the key to next autumn's dressing.

The three-quarter length tunic, cut in a full-smock shape by Roland Klein or Jean Muir, is another important look, shown with the cropped trousers or with a slim skirt. The effect, especially when the tunics are made in rich fabrics or appliqued with suede or leather, is of a renaissance

An electric atmosphere usually

experienced only at Kenzo Takada's Paris shows filled the

Pillar Hall at Olympia, where

fans of the New Romantic wave

in pop music vied with press

and buyers to see Vivienne

Although estensibly for autumn most of the clothes

were cotton and many are

currently on sale in the World's

End shop. The theme is of devil-

may-care pirates who count

There were fashion comebacks

for both Japanese-born Yuki

and for John Bates, both of whom seemed constrained by

their backers' choice of fabrics.

skills triumphed over some very

old colouring (sunray pleats in

banana yellow with sky blue) and his scarlet and black mini-

dresses were a definite mistake. But Fortuny would have been

impressed by the pleated ruff on an embroided velvet dressing

gown of a coat and in the mfurling pleated chiffon even-

John Bates found himself in

he dying moments of his show

Yuki's extraordinary cutting

Westwood's show.

Vivienne Westwood

footwear de rigeur).

London is now the evening capital of the world, with the ball gown sweeping all before it (especially for the American market) and with a strong return to formal description. dressing. This mostly means those breeches again, in taffeta, velvet or moire worn with soft blouses frilled at the neck, or with enormous bows.

Other designers prefer to make their Fortuny's. The maestro of the pleat is recalled in many collections, from Zandra Rhodes' gilded fans of pleats, to Yuki's rainbow-coloured circles.

Colours are rich russet browns, deep fir green, ruby red, peacock blue, with a wash gold and bronze throughout. The effect is nothing like the earthy, back-to-nature tones of the ethnic era but rather of a renaissance fresco brought to life. Paisley is the print of the season.

Fashion is all about capturing a mood and encapsulating it in clothes that women want to wear. I believe that London has caught that fashion feeling and the autumn collections will mark a turning point in the tides of our wardrobes. I hope that it can do the same for our fashion industry as a

Jean Muir



Zandra Rhodes

Zandra Rhodes fuelled her outrageous reputation with sequinned G-strings, liquorice black vinyl-with-lace dresses and a velvet dress decorated with gilded fans as breastplates

She really makes ravishingly pretty Cinderella dresses of printed chiffon, sashed in fondant colours and decorated with the tiniest of pearls. The same beaded effect appears on her cloud soft pleated evening knitwear, surely the most chic cardigans in the world.

Sunburst circles of pleats in cloth-of-gold lame look newer than the chiffon crinolines Fresher still is Zandra's use of black velvet, sculpted into Elizabethan evening dresses ser on a corsage like a swimsuit.

Zandra's glamorous dresses are subtly sensuous, with fine curtains of net drawn across the upper bosom or necklines dipping in a deep cowl at the back. Her detailing is superb, like the flower shaped panniers at the hips of a ball gown or whorls of pleats like a conche shell on the shoulders.

Janice Wainwright & Roland Klein



along without a break in the engine beat, Janice Wainwright and Roland Klein both turn out better and better collections

Both showed breeches, Janice's on a renaissance page-boy silhouette with neat waisted jacket and knee breeches, Klein with the softest of satin pantaloons shown with lacy camisole tops, like some naughty nineties post card. Klein shows his French origins with his marvellous

tailoring, seen at its best in seven-eighths tunics over slim skirts, and in his carefully thought-out use of colour and pattern. Daytime colour themes, like coffee and cream or mandarin orange with milk chocolate, are elaborated at

outfits in crepe with appliques to the most sumptyou ruffled taffetas in topaz, bois de

The Paris Collections

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Montana

slim. But even that rule was broken by Thierry Mugler's fitted Rita Hayworth suits with mid-calf straight skirts and his Fidelity may not be a traditional French virtue, but in an economic crisis and an election extraordinary thigh-high ball

economic crisis and an election year fashion designers prefer to return to their old loves.

Kenzo's affair with the pretty peasant girl has already lasted a decade and in a dazzling pretty show he showed off her newest clothes. There are soft Paisley-printed wool skirts, boldly flowered knits and velvet, knobbly Irish tweed and a flurry of high-necked frilled blouses.

Kenzo's newest silhouette is Kenzo's newest silhouette is the mini-skirt peeping out from under a seven-eighths jacket, especially effective in a pepper and salt tweed with a bright checkerboard knitted skirt. His colour palette is otherwise strong and bright with combinations like hot pink and jade green for flower-printed velvet jackets and ruffled paper-taffeta dresses. dresses.
Claude Montana seems to be

in love with the opera. His marvellously theatrical show was awash with embroidered velvet, lacy collars, swashbuckling brocade capes and evening gowns like a Queen of Hearts come to life.

come to life.

All was romance and richness, with lavish use of suede and leather, as well as some interesting. Celtic looks for tweed tunics with anklo-cuffed

trousers.

Behind the spectacular presentations and extraordinary headwear (jester's caps and medieval wimples for Montana and lacquered fams of hair at Thierry Mugler) is a choice of two fashion looks for next winter: short skirts for the young and leggy and a revival of the big full skirt for everyone else.

The two themes appeared side by side at Chloe, where designer Karl Lagerfeld clearly expects the wife to wear his mid-calf full-skirted coat dress-es (often slit open over trous-

es (often slit open over trousers) and the mistress to step out in short leather mimis topped by cape-collared knits.

This schizophrenic collection produced some delicious clothes, like the swirling scarlet and gold embroidered grey flannel dresses that started the show and lavishly-embroidered mini tunics. But the dual message will leave many women confused.

The return of the big silhouette is a strong story all over Paris (like Ungaro's huge highwayman's cape over a full artist's smock). In general the volume comes on the long

Chloe



Kenzo

FARAH E Studies



white man jodphurs. Clearly the British Raj tjodphurs and Paisley) is a more fruitful fashion seam than the Indian peasant prints he used for smock dresses. Ann Buck did good things

with bronzed leather breeches and bobbly hand knits before and boobly hand kittle between losing the thread among her little jersey frocks. Murray Arbeid showed the rest of London how to make the swelling, swirling shape of a ball gown, even though Bruce Oldfield and Victor Edelstein are treading on the heels of his glass slippers.

among their booty lavish brode-rie anglais trimmings, buckled tapestry boots and odd baggy-

bottom trousers (for tucking

first appears, with complicated (and cheeky) nappy-wrapped skirts and slashed sleeves. Behind the vulgarity (T-shirts with rouleaux of fabric sprout-

ing like bean shoots from the

breasts) is a creative exuber-ance which will be felt through-

with a splendid bridal outfit of

The cut is more subtle than

gold coins away?).

out the industry.

Best of the rest

Jean Muir breaks new ground gently, like a reluctant swimmer testing the water with one She need not be so reticen

about moving away from the familiar fluid dresses which have become her hallmark, for with everything, from suede to tweed, she has a sure touch. I could have looked at many more of her English Lady tweeds, all easy, edge-to-edge and collarless for both suits and coats.

Three striking Miro patterned artist's smocks were apparently just testing, for they disappeared before we could take in the burst of colour and volume among the skinny and sombre dresses (mostly swinging just a few inches above the ankle.)

Jean Muir works suede with infinite skill into loose coar dresses, with a frilled neckline as her one concession to romance. The suedes come in least colours a resolution with the suedes come in the suedes colours. clear colours — raspberry pink, cobalt blue and grass green — or are printed with flat flowers.

Culottes in holly berry red or ivy green should light up Christmas parties as effectively as Jean Muir's matt black suede trimmed with silver and gold



into rich crimson and paisleys or maharajah mixes of deep blue and gold. Janice Wainwright's colour palette is more sombre palette is more sombre, although she also uses a Paisley print for a stunning quilted satin jacket in a controlled

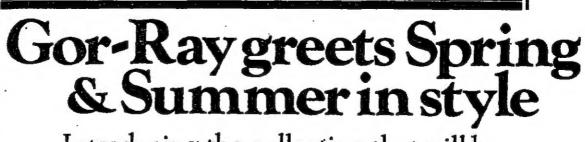
peasant look.

Her collection is carefully orchestrated from the simplest rose or black.

Fashion afficionados say of both Janice Wainwright and Roland Klein that they lack the creativity that brings the absolute triumphs and the embar rassing disasters. I consider producing consistently lovely and wearable clothes a positive







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Athletics

led to

Match that

protest and

wrangling

Future financial assistance from

the Sports Council for athletics at

Crystal Palace could be withheld as a result of the British Amateur

Arhleric Roard's decision to move

next July's match against Russia to Gateshead. The Council are

understood to have made a strong protest to the board who claim

that if they had not moved this important fixture it would have

been in jeopardy because no spon-sor had come forward. The Sports Council are con-

National Sports Centre is not rully justified when one of the arbiedcs season's most attractive matches is moved away from

crystal Palace. The directurgeneral, Emlyn Jones, said yester day that although it was the board's prerogative to hold some major events outside London, they had fallen down on a moral commitment made at a fixtures meet.

mirment made at a fixtures meet-ing last November.

Mr Tones said he was bittern

Mr Jones said he was interry disappointed at the decision and that £1,500 had been spent on ticket printing and other items of preparation. He felt that the results of the move could influence future Council decisions on the

on the economics of moving the

I put out feelers and a sponsor appeared. It was a very good offer, but because of the nature of the sponsorship, which has not yet been announced, the match had to be held at Gateshead."

Mr Shaw admitted that staff at Crystal Palace were upset and disappointed but they had always been in the picture and understood the position. He added: "The meeting was in jeopardy and I wonder what the Sports Council would have said if we had put it on at a loss."

JPR leads guest XV

J. P. R. Williams, Wales's most capped players, will captain a strong Crawshay's Welsh XV against the newly-formed French Barbarlans in Clermont-Ferrand on May 15. The squad includes 12 internationals. A second match

against Aurillac has been arranged for May 17.

FOR MAY 1. J. P. R. Williams (Bridgend), L. Kean (Abaravan), D. Burcher (Cardill), S. Forwick (Bridgend), A. Ckeman (Bridgend), R. Cardill), S. Forwick (Bridgend), A. Ckeman (Bridgend), M. Douglas (Bridgend), M. Bichards (Lincoll), J. Daviss (Bridgend), M. Richards (Neeth), W. Kows (Bridgend), A. Martin (Abersvon), J. Morgan (Bridgend), C. Davis (Newbidge), C. Burgiss, Ebbw Vals), G. Williams (Bridgend), T. David (Pontypridd),

The Scottish invitation XV, the Saltires, will play Esher tomorrow in a floodlit game in memory of the young Esher player Mike Symington, who died in a road accident. The visiting XV hope to

include Scotland's centre, David Johnston,

Saltires at Esher

By Norman Fox

Rowe makes the fourth century against limited England attack

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Kingston, April 6
With a limited attack, consisting
of Botham, Emburey, Gatting,
Gooch and Jackman, England let
a promising position slip here this
afternoon. Between lunch and tea Jamaica added 138 runs with some splendidly uninhibited batting. From Lawrence Rowe came the fourth hundred of the tour to be made against England, the others belonging to Vivian Richards (two) and Jeffrey Dujohn, who was out cheaply today. Against the last England side to West Indies and this one Rowe has played 10 innings, five of them being hundreds and one a triple hundred, and scored 891 runs.

The difference between the game at Sabina Park and in England is reflected in Rowe's contrasting

reflected in Rowe's contrasting fortunes here and there. In his one season with Derbyshire in the mid-seventies he failed to make a hundred in more than 30 innings. England took their first wicket at the end of an hour's play, Austin, who had played some confident strokes off the faster bowling, sweeping Emburey high to long leg, Emburey was bowling at middle and leg, with six men on the on side. It made for a hazar-ENGLAND: First Innings: 415 (C.

ENGLAND: First Innings: 415 (C. Boycott 98, M. W. Gatting 93), JAMAICA: First Innipes Austin, c Butcher, Emburgs C Gooch, b Botham H Mattle, b Jackman G Rows Ibry b Botham Dujohn b Emburry S Chang ru nout Neta, si Downton, b Embury Tucker not out

Malaysians

hit form to

put out Wales

Kuala Lumpur, April G.— Malaysia hit superb form in the Inter-Continental Cup to beat Wales 4—0 today and win a place in the semi-finals. The Malaysians.

who now meet Ireland on Wed-nesday, won the game with a devastating three-goal spell early

in the second balf.

The Welsh, who had to win to pip their hosts for a place in the last four, started well, but after falling to convert four penalty corners, they buckled under to the

corners, they buckled under to the Malaysiads' speed and superior stickwork. Malaysia, who led 1—0 at the interval through a 30th minute goal by full back foo Keat Seong, really struck form after the break. Two minutes after the restart the centre forward, Poon Fook Loke scored an opportunist goal, picking up a loose ball and flicking it home from an acute angle. In the space of five minutes, Foo than went on to score three goals.

(Penarth)

captain of Wales. A party of 16 has been selected to play in the

ouadrangular tournament ja Dublin (April 24-25).

FARTY: V. Sounner, J. Burrows, C. Carr. M. Eckeralli, P. Cibbon, K. Ferdon, B. Hotten, J. Jurischa, V. Fobnon, J. Swinnerion (England), N. Marrow, W. Banks, J. Foston, M. Fugh (Valca): M. Craigle, S. Hoctorals (Scotland).

one season a

Hockey

Gooch and Gatting, and gave the batsmen no chance to show what they can do on the off side. It is a dull, constricting method, more a way of shutting up a game

than opening it up.
For those on the England side who had not seen him before Rowe's batting must have been a revelation. Not many small men can drive fast bowling as he opes, and he has all the back foot strkes. One late cut off Emburey, taken from off the off stump and feathered down past slip's right hand, was a gem. Rowe has no need to worry

Rowe has no need to worry where to put his feet; they move instinctively into the right place. When 37 he survived a hard return chance to Jackman. At lunch, taken at 187 for five, he was 66 not out. By then Dujon, on the border

line for selection in the West Indian side to tour Australia later this year, had been bowled by Emburey, playing back to one that kept low and knocked out his middle stump, and the left-handed chang, a carbon copy of Kali-charga, a carbon copy of Kali-charga, had been run out. Gower took Chang by surprise, cutting off a hook near the square leg umpire and having the ball back in Downton's gloves before Chang could return from the run he had started.
With Old and Boycott missing

there were still two English sub-stitutes on the field; Downton, however, was back behind the stumps and Bairstow to be found burling himself around on the In the first hour this afternoon the balance of the game changed completely. From having been in danger of following on Jamaica

For the record

Fourth division

Football

Hockey

Cycling

Yesterday's results

ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE; Ilrincham U. Telford 2; Maidstone 4,

arnot 1. SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland divi-ion: Bedford O. Merihyr Tydfil 1:

sion: Sedford O. Merihy? Tydill 1: Taunton O. Kidebrushiet S. Routhers division: Aylesbury O. Crawicy 2: Poole S. Andover G: Tonbridge 1. Cheimaiord 1. NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Netheriteld O. Burton Albion 2. ISTUMBAN LEAGUE; Promier division: Estrow Borough O; Leaberhead 1.

1. OTHER MATCH: Wycombe Wanderers 5. F.A. Vard (Norway) 0. RUGEV UNION: Club match: Moselev 14. Wajcall 14. Schools match: Davrnan; Foundation 7. Liswerry 5. RUGEV LEAGUE: First division: St Heions 29. Warrington 9.

CARLSTAD. California: Final: Mrs. Lloyd (1'5) beat Visa H. Mannikova (Czechoslovokia), 5—1, 5—5. hrtber place play-off: Miss P. Shriber US; beat Miss A. Jaeger (US; 6—3.



Rowe: he has all the back foot strokes.

bowling for Gatting to be called upon for the first time on the tour. Rowe went storming past his hundred, looking more than ever like George Emmett, who was one of the game's artists just after the

Neita, though rougher than Rowe, was scarcely overshadowed. The new ball, taken at 258 for five, did nothing to stem the flow. It was hot work in the field; it usually is in Jamaica at this time When, at 295, Botham had Rowe

Ice hockey

Shooting

Basketball

Rackets

leg before, the sixth wicket part-nership was worth 115. It can no longer be written into the island's constitution that Rowe must never be adjudged leg before. Soon after tea Neita, taking a pace down to Emburey, was smartly stumped.

Package deal: Andy Roberts, the West Indian fast bowler, is to play mid-weck cricket for Leicestershire this season. Hashingden, the Lancashire League club who signed Roberts as professional eight months 250, have arranged a pack-age deal with the County.

Tennis

ACE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE: Chicago Black Rawks 8, Minnesota North Stars 4; Montreal Canadions 4, Bostom Bruins 2: New York Islanders 7, Buffalo bebres 2: Pew York Rangers 2, Phili bebres 2: Pew York Rangers 2; Phili pengulas 5, Hartford Winslers 4; Tor pengulas 5, Winnipeo Juta 5, Quadifiers for play-offs: Patville Divi spin; New York Islanders (Championa); New York Rangers (Championa); Si Louis Blues (Championa); Chicago Black Hawks, Vancouver Canucies, Edmund Oilers. Italy seeking to put an end

Rome, April 6.—Italy's tennis federation today took unpreceden-red action to outlaw exhibition matches, saying they were gravely damaging to the sport. Observers immediately predicted retaliatory action by top players, whose earnings are increasingly dependent on the highly-popular unofficial tour-

The federation have threatend one-year suspensions against members who help to organize exhibi-

The federation, the first tenns authority in the world to attack exhibitions, was apparently reacring to Italy's unexpected defeat in the Davis Cup by Britain last mouth. Adriano Panatta and his team colleagues were accused of poor preparation for the match by playing incrative exhibition mat-ches rather than official tournaments.—Reuter.

NICE: Open Tournament: C. Lowis (NZ) b-21 G. Guerrero (Arpenina: 6-5, 6-7, E. Deblicker : France) leads P. Huntz (Czechoslovakia: 6-5, 7-6, 2-0).

Miss Shriver enters

The American Pam Shriver, seventh in the world, has estered the Beckenham grass court is tournament sponsored by Kentish Times, from June 6. The tournament clashes with the second week of the

to exhibitions

tions, which they define as tournaments lasting less than four days and involving fewer than 16 players selected arbitarily. The announcement came as the United States No 1, John McEnroe. arrived in Rome for a four-sided exhibition worth \$100,000, which organizers confirmed would go

Faldo swoops through the storm towards a more lucrative future

Golf Correspondent

Golf Correspondent
Greensboro, April 6
One unfortunate aspect of Nick
Foldo's success in fluishing third
here yesterday in the Greater
Greensboro Open golf tournament is that we may 15 w be seeing less of him in Britalo. His prize of \$20,400 places him on a much higher level of hope and aspiration.

He had already decided to play

aspiration.

He had already decided to play in the United States in preference to the opening of the European season in Spain, Italy and France and return for the first British tournament, the Martin at Wentworth. Now a more inviting and lucrarive prospect lies before him.

By this one swoop here in North Carolina, Faldo won his United States player's card for 1982, for which he needed to amass prize money of \$9,100. It had taken him five tournaments to reach that figure when he first came here in January and so receive his card ligure when he first tame here in January and so receive his card for 1981. Now he has handsomely acquired the necessary loot for next year in only one event.

The new goal is to finish this year in the top 60 in the United States which carries exemption vear in the top 60 in the United States, which carries exemption from having to pre-qualify on the Monday before each tournament. He has been spared that ordeal thus far by his three Ryder Cup exemptions, of which he has used only two, and by surviving the 36-hole cut, which carries the same privilege for the following week's tournament.

provision of athletics facilities at Crystal Palace. The contents of the council's privilege for the following week's tournament.

The top 50 requires winnings of about \$55,000 to \$70,000. The last place in 1980 was taken by George Archer on \$67,000 and a few cents. It has to be said that some famous names were missing at Greensboro: Nicklaus, Watson and Miller by design, saving themselves for the Masters this week; Floyd by unhappy mischance, because of The contents of the councils letter of protest is expected to be revealed today by Bill Evans, the board's chairman, but I under stand it refers to "grave concern" over the decision which the council claim has caused considerable inconvenience. Doubt is cast on the economics of moving the march in view of the extra cost involved in transporting the Rus-stant to Gateshead.

Mr Jones said there was no by unhappy mischance, because of his young son's illness. But does Travino no longer count? Nor Rogers, Devlin and Stadler, suc-cessively first, second and third contract, but that the relationship between the Council and the Board was based on mutual trust. cessively first, second and third in the previous week's tournament? Nor Weiskopf and Norman, seventh and eighth then? Nor Severiano Ballasteros, the Masters champion, nor Isao Oaki, now presented with his United States player's card? What of that teeming horde of young Americans Board was based on mutual trust. He found it hard to believe that no sponsor could be found for the meeting at Crystal Palace.

David Shaw, secretary of the board, said last night: "Crystal Palace knew we had problema over sponsorship. A deadline passed and there was no news so I put out feelers and a sponsor appeared It was a year, and offer

who were said to bar the way to any British success over here? The contrasting conditions attending his 68 or Saturday and attending his 68 on Saturday and his 69 yesterday show him to be a gifted all weather golfer. On Saturday, for the third day running, the temperature was in the high seventles and the greens like glass Vestarday the weather was

high seventies and the greens like high seventies and the greens like glass. Yesterday the weather was foul, with rain lashing down all day on a gusty wind, and with everybody except perhaps Faldo, all through, and Nelson, at the very list, thoroughly dispirited. Brilliantly as Faldo played on Saturday, when he yielded a stroke to only one man, Archer, his 69 yesterday, surpassed by nobody and emulated only by Burns, was even more meritorious. The scores, as well as one's own damp disas well as one's own damp dis as well as one's own damp discomfort, suggested that the course was playing at least two strokes longer and calling for flexibility of approach, with the pin again placed in the most inaccessible position.

Yet Faldo, for all his mature golf and composure, is still younge.

golf and composure, is still young, only 23. This compares with an average age among the top 10 finishers, himself excluded, of 31, of when the version of the compared to the of whom the youngest was 27, in the end he had to be an onlooker when the last dramatic scene was played out, He had fluished on six under finished on six under par and stood his ground as the last group of Nelson, Hayes and Trevino

shots ahead and on the fri in two, would clearly finish ah of Faldo but Nelson, at six un was in a nasty bunker beside seo So far as Faldo was concer

the issue was whether he we receive \$20,400 for third pl 525,400 for shared second or \$32,400 for clear second, in or ssc.400 in the face of all m bility, holed his ounker shor, w he later admitted that he had t playing only to get it clore cor, for a single purt. Hayes, per

not surprisingly, took three

the back.

The psychological bone enough to carry Nelson to vic with a birdle four on the see extra hole. It was Nelson's fo

January best of Seniors

Tampa, Morida, April 6.—Don January scored a 67, five-under-par, vesterday to catch a faltering A-mold Palmer and then went on to win the Professional Golf Assosudden death play-off.

Palmer threw away a seven-stroke lead in the final round by going over par on six consecutive holes from the short 12th. "I don't think I've ever made six bogeys in a row," Palmer said afterwards.

and an eagle on the first a holes. He finished with a two-r par 74 and a 281 total, one statement of an array and Doug For January had eight birdies, cluding an important one at 18th that assured a play-off ford. Ford. He won the tournament S20,000 on the first extra hold sinking a two-foot putt fo

atterwards.

Playing in his first seniors' tournament, formed for players aged 30 and over, Palmer jumped into what seemed to be an unbeatable lead by scoring two birdies

Augusta Masters returns to grass roots

From Frank Hannigan

From Frank mannigan
New York, April 6
Thirteen PGA tour events have
now been played during 1981 and
nearly \$4m in prize money dispensed. So much for the preliminaries. For much of Americathe golf scason actually begins
with the playing of the Masters
tournament in Augusta, Georgia,

this week.

The Masters is the earliest of the four components of the modern Grand Slam, the term borrowed from Bridge to describe the feat of Bobby Jones in 1930 when he was the Ocean and American won the Open and Amateur Championships of both Great Britain and the United States in

one season.

The Masters, founded by Jones himself, and the United States in placed the Amateur Championship, which now are relegated in the public mind to the role of preparatory trials for future professionals, Lovers of the game outside the United States often scouside the United States of the Stat side the United States often scow at including the PGA champion-ships in this galaxy, but they are rebuffed by the metaphorical requirement that there must be four, not three, elements in a Grand Slam.

So it is that when a golfer four tournaments alone rather than in the tour titles captured or money won. The money, although it spends nicely, is useless as an indicator of grandeur. Ben indicator of grandeur. Ben Hogan's best year for prize money was 1948 when he won \$42,556, or somewhat less than the \$47,107 earned by Morris Hatalsky last

year on the United States tour. Hatalsky was placed 74th on the money list. The histories, traditions, and presentations of the four major tournaments vary sharply but each has a common and critical valida-

tion: the players care about them. These are not the weeks for money-making; these are the weeks

money-making; these are the weeks for making history.

Indeed, Jack Nicklaus has carefully constructed his career around the Grand Slam tournaments. He has won them 17 times, most recently last summer when he won both the United States Open and PGA titles.

Walter Hagen with 11 is a distant second to Nicklaus in this regard. Of contemporaries Gary Player comes closest to Nicklaus with nine victories in the great events. Tom Watson, for all his brilliance and domination of the American golf scene in recent years, has won only four of the Grand Slam tournaments. tournaments.

curious sub-plot concerning the arena itself. There is question as to

whether or not the highly-publicised renovation of the Augusta National course's putting greens has been successful.

The plant surface of the old greens was deliberately destroyed last summer by the club. A noxious

chemical in gaseous form was jected into plastic tents over greens. The grass destroyed primarily bermudagrass. a that thrives in hot weather does not begin its renewed gruntil the first warm evening May, a month after the Masters. The US Golf Association includes in its areanal a simple includes in its arsenal a simple called a Stimpmeter. A half dies down a groove in this de and the number of feet the rolls is said to be its Scimpus speed. The Augusta club has revealed its readings but the c mon assumption is that officered convinced and concerned the speed of their greens was in keeping with the

the Masters.
After the old surfaces were troyed the greens, their old tours intact, were newly see with bentgrass, a species codered superior for golf pungreens but which is intolerant high temperatures and humid Newer and more durable strain that grees including the one in The disparity between Watson and Mickiaus in this context is one of which they are both acutely aware. Mickiaus, in fact, receptly said that his sole purposo in continuing to play is to build an invincible record—which be defines as meaning victory in the tournaments that matter to him.

This week's Masters offers a with very little substance, members were said to be usin a euphemism for holes cut in the

Snooker

Davis can beat the system

By Sydney Friskin

Most snooker experts believe that nothing can stop Steve Davis, of Plumstead, from becoming the world professional champion, but the next fortnight will tell the next fortugat will tell whether this will be his year or not. The championship, sponsored by Embassy, starts today at the Crucible Theatre, Shoffield, and the hours of play each day will be 3.15 pm and 7.30 pm.

Joining the 16 players, who galited automatic entry, are eight qualifiers from various centres to make a total of 24, each having but a single thought—to take the game's most cherished prize won last year by Cliff Thorburn, of Canada, who had the mental control necessary to achieve his greatest ambition.

Davis la seeded No 13 but this is the result of the system and does not reflect his standing in the tournament. He is the favourite and there are firm grounds for this view,

Since winning the United King-dom professional title at Preston last November he followed up with three successes to bring his with three successes to bring his winning total alone to \$25,000. In terms of figures, Davis has dominated the season despite his failure in the Masters tournament, sponsored by Benson and Hedges, in London a couple of months ago when he was beaten in a ninc-frame match by Perrie Mans, of South Africa.

From the time Davis eliminated Terry Griffiths, the holder in last year's event he has become one of the most feared players in the world today. He has the dedication, the technique and the coolness that make a champion. Although his two retires is close the country in the country is close that the country is considered. Although his cue action is slow he has the ability to create power without exertion.

Since winning the title last year Thorburn's results have fallen below expectation, although he tournaments, but his chances of staying champion can never be discounted. He has changed his approach somewhat and is now attacking a little more.

Thorburn has settled in England and feels more relaxed now that he has forsaken the hurly burly of hotel life and can drive back from snooker to some real home cooking. He feels he has to win again to make people believe in

The draw, with the scedings in parentheses, is: FIRST ROUND: A. Knowles v G. Miles (16); G. Wilson v D. Tavlor (9); A. Meo v J. Virgo (12); J. Withe v S. Davis (13); W. Thorne v D. Mountlay (13); J. Dunning v K. Sivens (11); D. Martin v W. werbenluk (10); R. Edmonds v J. Spencer (15); R. Edmonds v J. Spencer 115:

SECOND HOUMD: Knowles or Miles
v C. Thorburn 11: Wilson or D. Taylor
v F. Davis 18: Woo or Virgo v T.
Criffishs (5): White or S. Davis v A.
Higgins 41: Thorne or Mountley v E.
Charlton (5): Duaning or Sterens v
D. Tavlor (6): Martin or Werbenjuk
P. Raud (7): Edmonds or Spencer
v R. Readdon (2):

Squash rackets

The iron in Hunt's soul

Squash Rackets Correspondent Players representing three nations and a variety of playing methods remain in contention for the British open championship the British open championsing and unequal portions of the £9.250 allocated to the last four. The pairings in this evening's semi-final round at the Churchill Theatre, Bromley, will be Geoff Hunt (Australia) v Gamal Awad (Egypt) and Jahangir Khan (Pakistan) v Qamar Zaman (Pakistan). The tournament is snonsored by

tournament is sponsored by Hunt embodies the iron in the soul of the Anglo-Saxon sports-In 12 years he has twice been runner-up and seven times champion. Awad, a bouncy little chap whose energies are always on the boil, was British amateur this in the Open event. He has beaten Hunt, but the Australian's was not as finely tuned then at it is now.

artistry, has been champion once and runner-up three times. He will be motivated by the fact that. will be motivated by the fact that, rather like Jimmy Connors in tennis, he is unwilling to accept third place in the order of precedence. But it is doubtful if he still has the confidence and match fitness to shake off the psychological ascendancy already established by Jahangir whose abilities and demeanour reflect the best and demeanour reflect the best qualities of the old-fashioned professionals.

protessionals.
Jahangir, aged 17, has played only seven matches in the Open championship—winning six in straight games and losing the other, last year, to Jonah Barring-ton. But in every other respect the lotensity of his experience is more obvious than its brief dura-

so far, the championship has champion in 1978 and 1979, but been marked by the withdrawal of two seeds, the retirement of a third, the defeat of a fourth, and a heartening evidence provided by Philip Kenyon and Gawain Briars that a new generation of British Lagrantic and the second of Britis and a new generation of Britis

Zaman, a deadpan comedian players is beginning to emerg

and a player of unsurpassed from Barrington's long shadow

Continuing the occasional series on great teams with the Davis Cup side of 1933

How Britain outduelled the Four Musketeers

We do not usually think of lawn tennis as a team game, despite recent American developments, recent American developments, and more long-standing institutions such as county week, and the University match. Nevertheless, the British Davis Cup team in the mid 1930s stirred the national imagination to such an extent that it must be ranked as

extent that it must be ranked as a "great side".

Of course, tennis had boomed in the 1920s. Lenglen, Borotra, Tilden had become, it was often said. "household names": but said. "household names": but this was only true in households on the upper slopes of the middle class. In the 1930s the interest even the passion, began to expand over the whole social spectrum. This came about partly because of the proliferation of municipal tennis courts, and partly because, round about 1930, working-class homes were rapidly acquiring the wireless.
The BBC was quick to spot that

tennis was an excellent game upon which to broadcast commentary (so many less players to remember, for one thing). One of the early commentators was Colonel R. H. Brand, who held the post of Official Host at the BBC, and was the hearty Lugher who led of Official Host at the BBC, and was the hearty laugher who led the applause at variety concerts. It was not a particularly fruitful tlms for Eritish sport, at least summer aport. Bradman kept giving us terrible hammerings. Americans kept winning the Open. No Englishman had won at Wimbledon since 1909. The last win in the Davis Cup had been in 1912 twhen France had been the only other entrant). By 1931 there were 30 competitors, and British only other entrant). By 1931 there were 30 competitors, and British interest was stirring mildly, for we had two good young players, in H. W. Austin and F. J. Perry. In the next few years, these names were to become as familiar, even in the stone playgrounds of elementary schools, as Hobbs and Sutcliffe had been a little earlier. We put Austin first, to begin with. He was a Reptonian with a Cambridge Bine, the kind of background lawn tennis players were expected to have then, Perry was the son of a Labour MP, whose father had in the first place given him a year to see if he could make good at tennis, before starting by the beginning on a highest place of the could make good at tennis, before starting him on a highest cases.

make good at tennis, before starting him on a business career.

In 1931, the first year Austin and Perry played the singles together. Britain beat Monaco, Belgium, South Africa, Japan, all 5-0, and then Czechoslovakia (4-1 in Prague) to win the European Zone. They then won the Inter-Zone final against America in Paris, 3-2. As America had Wood and Shields, the two Wimbledon finalists that year, this was a surprise. They went down to France in the Challenge Round,



but not by much - Perry took Cochet to four tough sets in the final single.

The doubles pair in this run was usually Perry and G. P. Hughes, though because of the need to give Perry an occasional rest, C. H. Kingsley sometimes took his place. Hughes was a fine doubles player, and a key to Britain's successes in these years. His Cup record would read better if he had been more fortunate in his partners. Even Perry, when he played, was not ideal. He did not have the temperament for the doubles game. But Hughes always made sure that the opposition had to work for their win, and were a little bit more tired on the last day if, as often happened, one or both of them were involved in the closing singles.

Of the famous French "Four Musketeers" Lacoste had retired, and Cochet, Borotra and Brugnon were getting on, so Britain had high hopes for 1932. But they were disappointed. There was a 5.0 win over Romania, with H. F. David playing the second singles, to work for their win, and were a

and then a 4-1 win over Poland, when H. G. N. Lee tunk over from David, Austin was back for the next match against Germany, in Berlin. He had reached the Wimbledon final that year, and perhaps was exhausted by the effort. He lost both his singles, and Perry lost one as well, so it was a 2-3 defeat, Germany were knocked out by America, and France held America off, chiefly by an astoniching with the Period by an astonishing win by Borotra over Vines, the Wimbledon cham-nion. But the combined age of pion. But the combined ; the French team was now than 100, so there was still plenty for everyone else to play for in 1933.

both his singles (the second after the tie was settled, against H. G. N. Lee, Britain's reserve) but the young Australian side could win no more. In the inter-zone round America were beaten 4-1, the doubles the only match lost. And then the Challenge Round.

Cochet was still playing singles for France, and Borotra and Brugnon the doubles. The other singles were to be played by a youngster called Merlin, and it was not thought that either Perry or Austin would have much difficulty in beating him. Austin did

or Austin would nave much diri-culty in beating him. Austin did so quickly, in straight sets. Perry then beat Cochet in a long five-setter, and the cup seemed as good as won. France won the doubles (Lee coming in for Perry) and then Cochet beat Austin in five sets, after being behind most of the way after being behind most of the way (that was Cochet's habit).

It did not matter, we thought, listening at home to Colonel Brand or H. B. T. Wakelam, or whoever it was: Perry was bound to beat Merlin. So he did, but only after much agony. Merlin took the first set and was twice within a point

Roper Barrett was not the least important member of this great side. Both Perry and Austin, in side. Both Perry and Austin, in very different ways, could be tricky characters to handle (it is an odd thing, to say the least, that both served in the second war in the American forces). Roper Borrett, who had played for Britain when the cup had been previously won, in 1912, needed humour and tact, and provided them in abundance.

Perry was becoming the world's

them in abundance.

Perry was becoming the world's best player, and Austin was established as one of the best half dozen. Perry won Wimbledon for the next three years. Austin never won Wimbledon, though he should have done. He could beat Wimbledon champions in Davis Cup matches, but did not have the physical resources at the end of a physical resources at the end of a hard fortalght. England held the Cup for the

England held the Cup for the next three years (4—1 against the United States, 5—0 against the United States, 3—2 against Australia). C. R. D. Tuckey joined the side, happily, as partner to Hughes. Then Perry turned professional, and Hughes retired at the same time. Austin was past his best, but won the first march of the 1927 won the first match of the 1937 won the first match of the 1937 Challenge Round (the lifth year running be had won the opening match). C. E. Hare put up a brave show against the new champion, Budge, but that was all Britain could do. Still, it had been a memorable few years, which was just as well, because since then just as well, because since then we have not had all that much to

Alan Gibson

Badminton

Yates joins upper classes

By Richard Streeton
Badminton's first computerized rackings, issued this week by the international federation, put the laternational (Indonesia), the International federation, put Rudi Hartono (Indonesia), the world champion, at the top of the men's list and Sun-Ai Hwang (South Korea), the All-England champion, as the leading woman. The lists have been based on 13 tournaments, each graded by status and the strength of its entry, from the 1980 world championships last May to the Allpionships last May to the All-England event which ended at Wembley mine days ago. The federation stress that these Initial rankings are regarded as experimental. Adjustments may be made to the grading system in future and they also plan to include a larger number of

include a larger number of tournaments from the 1981-82 season onwards.

The launching of a world-wide grand prix series next January is expected to lead to the top players appearing in more open tournaments than they have done in these inaugural reakings should then diameters. The littre util also

world, above both Ray Steve and Kevin Jolly who are high than him in the English nation rankings, The women's list generally r flects a more accurate pictu than the men's. It includes for Japanese in the leading 12 whi emphasizes why they are ourites to retain the Uber next month.

quarterly intervals.

Mainly because of his win in t
Dutch Open championship. Ni
Yates, a 19-year-old England J

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Rugby League

By Keith Macklin

Huyton may be

forced to move

Two lesser lights in the foot .

ball firmament, the non-league sides Southport and Runcora Could make surprise appearance

among the names being bands about for inclusion in re season's second division.

On Thursday there is a med

involving the impoverish Huyton club, Rugby League of

cials and representatives of the brewery owning the lease on the

Huyton ground. There is more than a possibility that the lease will not be renewed and rather than see Huyton go out of extensions.

ence, the Rugby League will con-

Boxing

Minter to meet Hamsho

Alan Minter, Britain's former world middleweight champion, will go to the United States for his next contest. Micky Duff, his promoter, confirmed yesterday, that Minter will meet the New York based Syrian, Mustapha Ramsho.

Mr Duff said: "I made the match for American promoter Don King and it looks like the fight will go on in Las Vegas, probably at Caesar's Palace in late May or early June."

Hagier, who took the world title from Minter at Wembley last September, will make his second lefence in June against Vito Antuofermo, the man whom Antuofermo, the man Minter twice beat last year.

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sider applications from the South port and Runcorn clubs to house the homeless side. Buxton v Gogle; Morecambe v Caler-Buxton v Goole; Morecambe v Galerhoad:

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Taylor says he will do everything possible to keep Shilton at Forest weekend. County's manager, Coll

rougham Forest, Peter Taylor, club's assistant manager, said aterday afternoon. After an houring meeting between Shilton, an Clough, the manager, and uself. Mr Taylor said; "He ys at Forest, because he is the goalkeeper in the business." is goalkeeper in the business.

He has gor some personal blems and if it means talking bour after hour to sort them then we will do that. He has in very frank with us, but he wild have come to us earlier. If Clough and Mr Taylor will of Shilton again today to discuss problems. We will repeat the slous until the situation has in resolved for the benefit of mingham Forest and Peter Shilling that order. Mr Taylor said. He hasn't asked for a move he is as desperate to put his a house in order as much as we we felt that it was bad timing Shilton to make his outburst, edally because we have got five thes of the season left. He will thes of the season left. He will in the side for the match just Liverpool on Saturday and

be a part of our plans for the re."
Iter his meeting with the lagement Shilton said: "I've a chance to speak to the boss a chance to speak to the boss 'I've got no comment to make what was discussed at the meetI came here this morning to some training and at least I've gath. The situation is still a confused."

[owever, when Shillton reported the properties of the still this morning as usual this morning. raining as usual this morning, was sticking by his decision on day to ask for a move. He i: "I think Forest have had ie for money. I don't want say too much. I'm here to

tter news has come from Bally-

le concerning the well-being of m Bird, the winter favourite the 2,000 Guineas and Derby, sent O'Brien said that his minary surgeon had examined.

Northern Dancer colt yester-

The vet was pleased with m Bird and considers that he aking satisfactory progress and ording to treatment. The e-ver-old was slightly lame in left hind fetlock joint after dug last week. It was a direct sy and not a strain. Storm Bird some walking exercise this

some walking exercise this sing, but no decision about te running plans will be made next week."

I the leading bookmakers have wed Storm Bird from their ng on the 2,000 Guineas. To-'Mou, who finished runner-up

itorm Bird in last autumn's hurst Stakes, is now top-ed at 5-2 with Ladbrokes,

far as the 1,000 Guiness fa

erned all the money recently been for Fairy Pootsteps. ry Cecil's Mill Reef filly has

been seen in public slace ling the Waterford Candelabra es at Goodwood last August, wever, our Newmarket corre-dent says that Fairy Footsteps been striding out with great on the heath. She is now clear with for the first of the filles.

a memory of one of last n's biggest unsuccessful gam-was revived at Nortingham rday when Al Kuwalt was led the Call Boy Handicap he disqualification of Salt-

.... Desmond Stonebam

April 6

h Racing Correspondent

Prix Imprudence and Prix

Prix Imprudence and Prix I, which will both be run seven furlongs at Maisonszet tomorrow, are two tradification trials for the 1,000 000 Guineas. A year ago won the Djebel and went take the 2,000 Guineas at trket, only to be disqualified terfering with Posse three is from the line. There is a of the class of Nireyev in lar's race and the Imprualso lacks a confirmed star

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-that's it. I've talked about the situation with my write and the question of playing on the Continent is an attractive one."

However, Shilton stressed that he does not want to give up his place in the England team. Whatever happens I still want to play for England. That would be a condition wherever I go. I want to play in the 1982 World Cup", he said. Shilton announced his intentiops to quit Forest last night, but added: "I will still torn up for training tomorrow morning."

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Two years ago he signed a three and a half year contract with Forest, which guaranteed him 1100,000 plus bonuses. At the time he turned down a move to the American side, Washington Diplomats, Diplomats,
Dave Swindlehurst, the Derby County striker, will be heavily fined by his club, because of his sending off at Shrewsbury last

Derby expires this summer.

Croker plea: The Football Association secretary. Ted Croker, yesterday renewed his call to the Government to plough money back into football. Mr Croker, speaking in London complained about the £120m which will be paid this year by the puols companies into the exchequer. He claimed that both parties in opposition had supported the idea that pools money should be given back to the sport. But he added: "Once they get into power they change their minds." Lyall charged for 'insults' which to decide whether to ask

paller and that is something 1 am not prepared to tolerate."

Derby's England international centre half, Roy McFarland, is expected to settle his future in talks with Mr Addison this week. There has been speculation that McFarland will move into American soccer, when his contract with Derby expires this summer.

Croker plea: The Football Asso.

John Lyall, the manager of West Ham, has been charged by

Cesarewitch, but finished unplaced behind Popsi's Joy.

Yesterday Al kuwait was looking all over the winner two furions from home, but the picture changed when Anthony McGione sent Salthouse into the lead. Al Kuwait finished second but his jockey, Pat Eddery, lodged an objection on the grounds of taking my ground in the last furiong. The objection was sustained and the placings of the first two reversed.

McGione said afterwards: "1 knew I would be disqualified as Salthouse had ducked to the left and to the right in the last furions."

and to the right in the last fur-long". John Sutcliffe, the win-ming trainer said that Al Kuwait would run at Newmarket next week and then might be aimed at the Chester Cun

the Chester Cup.

McGlone has been riding extremely well this spring. Half an hour earlier Richard Hunnon's 18-year-old apprentice had been

seen to great advantage when driving Sporting Covergirl past Longcliffe in the last strides of the Coronach Handicap. This victory gave McGlone his third and Neville Callaghan his sixth success of the season.

Another feature was that of

fell to Winart, who proved far too strong to the odds on favourite, Hillsdown Lad. The winning

the group three Prix d'Aumale last September and pulled too hard before dropping out of conten-tion in the subsequent Prix Marcel

Boussac. Enigma is unbeaten in two small races and Marie du Mont ran an excellent race when trying to give weight to Beruica and Phydilla in the Prix du Calvados at Deauville last August.

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Diamond Prospect is my selection for the Djebel and he may
come to Newmarket if all goes well
tomorrow. The danger could be
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August, Diamond Prospect beat
the useful Bardenac in the Prix
on to chase Cresta Rider, the
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4 30 MAY HURDLE (Notices: £315; 3m 1f)

John Lyall, the manager of West Ham, has been charged by the Football Association as a result of his outburst at the end of the drawn League Cup final against Liverpool at Wembley on March 14.

Mr Lyall, who was involved in an angry exchange with the referee, Clive Thomas, has not heen accused of bringing the game into disrepute. Instead, under another part of rule 35a, he will face the lesser charge of "insulting and improper behaviour".

Mr Lyall has seven days in which to decide whether to ask for a personal hearing, and is almost certain to want to appear to defend his name, the disputes Mr Thomas's version of their augment as the players were leaving the field after extra time. Mr Thomas said that Lyall, who had to be restrained by West Ham's striker, David Cross, called him a cheat.

Mr Lyall, angered after Liverneol nearly won the cup with a disputed goal, which was only cancelled out by a last-minute penalty, claims he told Thomas that he "felt cheated".

Cologne arrive without their star players

min.
Paul Mariner, who also missed

Bunhof and Herbert Zimmermann.

"With the best will in the world,
I just don't know who I should
put in, Cologne's Dutch coach,
Rinus Michels, said.

A groin injury ruled out Bonhof, the team captain, and a
thigh strain put paid to Zimmermann's chances. But the big
defender, Gerd Strack, suffering
from a bruised neck, was in the
party and will train today to see
if he is fit to play. Strack has
been plagued by misfortune since
his injury a fortnight ago, His
one-year-old daughter fell down
the stairs at home and fractured
her skull last Friday and on his
way back from the hospital the
player was involved in a car
accident.

But Cologne's England international forward, Tony Woodcock,
will be available, although he was
sent off on Saturday for a
resuliatory foul. Cologne are on a
bonus of £2,150 a man to beat
lpswich.

Liverpool's West German opponents, Bayern Munich, are expected
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Liverpool's West German opponents, Bayern Munich, are expected today for their European Cup semulinal first leg at Anfield, With Karl-Heinz Rummenigge in their line-up and Paul Breitner, Liverpool will need as many of their injured stars on duty as possible.

Ray Kennedy has made good progress after missing Friday's game against Stoke with a knee injury. Graeme Souness, who scored three goals in the last round, has not yet resumed training after missing two games with round, has not yet resumed training after missing two games with
back trouble. David Johnson, back
in light training after missing four
games with hamstring trouble, is
also unlikely to return.
Gary Brooke, Tottenham's young
midfield player, is expected to be
fit for Saturday's FA Cup semi-



Bonhof: ruled out. final against Wolverhampton Wan-derers at Hillsborough. But the manager, Keith Burkinshaw is still undecided whether to stick with Brooke or give the Argentine Ricardo Villa his first full game since the third round against Oueen's Park Rangers. Oueen's Park Rangers.

Wolves should know today whether the winger, Mel Eves, will be fit. He went off early at Sunderland with a damaged muscle fibres in his back

Bettega accused Rome, April 6.—Roberto Bettega, Juventus's international footballer, is to face a disciplinary commission on a charge of violating the principles of fairness and integrity in sport. The allegation concerns a match hetween Juventus and Perouse on March 22. Wimesses claim that March 22. Witnesses claim that Bettega asked two players on the opposing teom to help him score, —Agence France-Presse.

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Ipswich Town's Dutch international mudfield player Frans
Thissen is hoping to be fit for tomorrow's Ocfa Cup semi-final first leg tie against the FC Cologne at Portman Road.

Thissen missed Saturday's defeat at West Bromwich Albion because of a recurrence of hamstring trouble and there were fears at the weekend that he might be unavailable for two or three weeks. Yesterday, however. Thissen was able to train and was feeling happier about life.

"I was able to run flat out and the hamstring feels much better. I shall continue to have treatment and hope there is no reaction. I certainly feel at the moment I have a good chance of playing on Wednesday", the Dutch player mid.

Paul Mariner, who also missed

Paul Mariner, who also missed the West Bromwich match seems certain to play, although he did not join in training, Mariner has been troubled by a bruised heel he picked up playing for England and Kevin Beattie, who has not played a first team match for five weeks, could be in line for a return in at least one of this week's semi-finals. Beattie's troublesome right knee is much improved but it remains to be seen whether Bobby Robson, the manager, picks him against Cologne or saves him for the FA Cup semi-final against Manchester City on Saturday. City are aoxious to have Gow in their side for the first time for five weeks. "It's significant that we have not won since he has been missing from the team", the manager, John Bond, wild: Cologne arrived at Heatbrow

Cologue arrived at Heathrow airport yesterday without their injured internationals, Rainer

Newmarket stable that is bursting with talent-equine and human

A Stoute fellow bound for the top

the best laid plans of mice and men. But at the moment both bis colts and fallies appear forward in condition and are moving well in their home work. The spring meeting st Newbury and Newmarket's Craven fixture will be the first cesting ground for Stoute as well as for our other leading trainers.

Watching Stoute's potential stars quickening in smooth style on the gallops on Waterhall last week it gaitops on waternau tast week it was impossible not to share the enthusiasm of the trainer and his hardworking staff. Not that Stoute says much. But the way in which he gailoped away on his grey back singing loudly to himself was evidence enough of his feelings.

Dalsaan and Rard Fought form the spearhead of the trainer's strong team of older horses. Dalsaan was so impressive when sprinting home by 20 lengths at Kempton last summer that the Aga Khan's colt started at odds on to beat Posse and Final Straw in the St James's Palace Strakes at Royal Ascot. Dalsaan finished fourth 23 lengths behind Posse but the stable are convinced that this mark for the first time, saddling 54 winners of 101 races worth over 2370,000. And looking at his horses at Newmarket recently it is hard not to think that another bumper for this talented and dedicated man, who took out a lirence to train only eight years ago.

Stoute is too much of a realist

Aga Khsn's colt started at odds on to beat Posse and Final Straw in the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot. Dalsaan finished fourth 23 lengths behind Posse but the stable are convinced that this was not the favourite's true running. The Cold Shield Windows Trophy at Haydock on May 2 and Newbury's Locking Stakes will

Pertiaps Hard Fought's best performance last season was when running Known Fact to a neck in the Waterford Crystal Mile at Goodwood, in receipt of 5th. Although Hard Fought is by Habitat, Brook Holliday's four-year-old is out of Ambrosia, whose pedigree is full of stout, staying blood. The trainer plans to run Hard Fought in the mine furlong Earl of Sefton Stakes at the Craven meeting to test the colt's stamina before deciding on his future programme.

As far as the 1.000 Guineas is concerned Stoute has two leading candidates for the first of the fillies' classics in Marwell and Exclusively Raised. Marwell showed blinding speed in her five victories as a two-year-old and if she can last out the Rowley Mile, Lord Seymour's full sister is going to take some beating.

Marwell will run in the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury if the ground is suitable, otherwise she will go to Newmarket without a preliminary race. Exclusively Raised, a tough, grey Americanbred filly will take on Fairy Pootsteps and Tolmi in the Neil Gwyn Stakes only possible runner in amme. Perhaps Hard Fought's best per-

Stakes at the Craven meeting. The stable's only possible runner in the 2,000 Guineas could be Shasa-vaan. The Aga Khan's colt is

week's Free Handicap.

Shergar and Centurius are the stable's Derby hopes. Another of the Aga Khan's breed, Shergar, is by Great Nephew who is the sire of Grundy and Mrs Penny as well as other good horses. Only lightly raced as a two-year-old. Shergar followed up an easy victory in a maider race at Newbury with a creditable second to Beldale Flutter in the William Hill Fluttrity at Dorcaster.

Centurius is also sired by Great Centurius is also sired by Great Nephew. He first hit the head-lines when Jim McCaughey gave 270,000 guineas for Grundy's full brother at the 1979 Houghton Sales. Centurius had only the

races, looking most impressive in his victory in the Mornington Stakes at Ascot, but disappointing badly when finishing last behind Storm Bird in the Dawhurst Stakes. Shergar will be showing his paces in Sandown's Classic Trial and then perhaps in the Chester Vasc. Centurius goes for Epsom's

Blue Riband Trial followed by a tilt at the Mecca-Daute Stakes at

Michael Seely

Hannon gaining his second win of 1981 when Basil Boy and Ray Cocbrane won the Sunstar Malden Stakes. Clive Brittain who had his second victory of the campaign when Mouhannel and Willie Caranta and Maller Caranta British on the heath. She is now clear rite for the first of the fillies' when Mouhannel and Willie Carles, the longest price on offer to the first division of the Manna i and Marwell have drifted in Maiden Stakes.

The second division of this race who proved far too Nottingham programme

Stoute: singing of a bright

Michael Stoute has finished second, third and fourth in the trainers' table in the past three years. In 1980 he topped the 100 mark for the first time, saddling

future.

2.0 OLD TRAFFORD STAKES (2-y-o Maiden Fillies: £897: 5f)

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Cumulus, Thomson Jones, 8-3

Crosby Triangle (CO), P. Haslam, R-1

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Humble Elso, G. Fleicher, 7-7

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5-1 Wedded Bliss, 6-1 Ingham.

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The memory man, still happily setting the record straight

into the headlines last week after a spate of ill health. He straight about Lord Louis Mountbatten and the "Fleet Street coup". "I didn't hear about it until much later", he

The return was in one of Sir Harold's favourite guises: the memory man of the music hall who will answer random challenges from the audience, beginning, where possible, with the phrase: "It was at the Blackpool Conference in

His memory is one of the best known aspects of his person-The intimacies of Sir Harold's life are better known than those of any individual outside the Royal Family. His pipe, his wife Mary, his dry Yorkshire wit played on a flat accent, his dog Paddy, his secret preference for brandy and cigars, his bungalow in the

and cigars, his bungalow in the Scillies, all contribute to the Wilson image.

There is nothing artificial about his public face, although some of his ways are studied and, by now, he does little unwitingly. He drops in lines about putting money behind the clock on the mantelplece of shonning at the Coop is high shopping at the Co-op which have seldom had much to do with his life style. Yet, for all his vanities, he is held in affection like an irritating but long-lasting character in a television

lasting character in a television soap opera, the Ena Sharples of Downing Street. His passion for keeping a true record of events is best illustrated in his aching tomes about his two administrations, The Labour Government 1964-70 and Final Term: the Labour Gov-ernment 1974-76. More evidence is published next month in The is published next month in The Charlot of Israel—the title came from his wife, a clergyman's daughter—a dry, thorough appraisal of the relations between Britain, America and Israel, (Sir Haroid is safest on personal memories. A. J. P. Taylor's review of The Governance of Britain simply listed the factual errors.)

tual errors.)
"I planned the Israel book while writing the boring parra-tive of the last Number 10 book, Final Term," sald Sir Harold. Sir Harold Wilson bounces back on the coup that never was ... and the obsessions of Tony Benn

"I have always been interested in Israel and, as Abba Eban will rell you, I am considered one of its best friends. I have a lot of knowledge about the Six Day War, which haso't been published before."

Sir Harold's memory was largely inherited from his father. "He could multiply any is how I met Mary. I was doing what is now called A levels, cramming Hamlet and Dr Faustus. My father said he could multiple any two pumbers could multiply any two numbers and another man had bet five bob that he couldn't. I was going along to see fair play.

"We passed a tennis court on the way and I saw this preity girl playing tennis—it was Mary—and I thought, what is life all about, Shakespeare and Faustus or pretty girls playing tennis? The following Saturday I hung up my running spikes and bought a tennis racquet. A week later I told Mary that I was going to marry her and bewas going to marry her and be-come an MP. She laughed and has said hundreds of times since that if she had believed me she

would never have married me."
Young Harold Wilson, armed
with his father's quick brain, made precocious progress through local state schools in Huddersfield and the Witral, achieving a place to Jesus College, Oxford, where he achieved the highest first class degree in PPE of his year. A don at 21, he soon left the academic life.

"My father had just lost his job and so I wrote to the editor of The Manchester Guardian. They wanted me to come in and

on his staff and Crozier (the Guardian editor) wrote back saying, by all means join Beveridge for a couple of years. You will be worth that much more to The Guardian.

But I never did go back. The war started two years later."
And so he became a civil servant in the wartime coalition, working on the foundations of the welfare state. In 1945, he was elected Labour MP for Ormskirk. He has sat in the House of Commons—since 1950 for Huyton—ever since and

seldom off the front benches. His rise was swift, from being made President of the Board of Trade and a Privy Councillor by Attlee in 1947, when he was 31, to his election when he was 3I, to his election as Labour leader on Hugh Gaitskell's death in 1963. In October 1964 a slim victory over Sir Alec Douglas-Rome was the beginning of a period of British politics dominated by his presence and his years in office have made him the longest serving peacetime. longest serving peacetime Prime Minister this century.

Prime Minister this century.

In 1976 his resignation came as a surprise and a source of great speculation. "Having lost, I wanted to get back anyway and then I wanted to retire on my 60th birthday, which I did, almost to the day, except in that week there were by-elections, so I stayed until the week after.

"It was a very closely guarded secret. About four people knew: me, Mary, Lady Falkender, who was really rather against it, and Mr Speaker. I had told Mr Speaker the October before and when, in the House, there was some

They wanted me to come in and in the House, there was some move on to writing leaders. murmuring at the announce-But in the meantime I was offered a post with Beveridge I told you some time ago and

he agreed. Hansard spotted it and recorded him agreeing."
As ever, Sir Harold likes to keep the record straight. Now, heading for retirement at the next election—he was 64 last month—he looks back on his 13 turbulent years as leader of the Labour Party withour recrimination.

Relieved from the pressures of power, he has lost the urgent suspicion which often seemed to guide his actions. Sir Harold is generous and unguarded, quite happy to talk over old times. He has even forgiven the press, who gave him a rougher ride than any Prime Minister before him might have had the right to expect.
The harsh press criticism was

only one element which was hostile to his efforts. Other forces may again prove obstructive to Labour. "The fixed currency, above all, is the way that rency, above all, is the way that they prevent a Labour government from carrying out its programme. The Bank of England of the Treasury say, if you do this there will be a run on sterling. Of course, the people who made the dash to freedom away from this Treasury ortho-doxy were Ted Heath and Barber. At that time it was against the rules and I doubt whether a Labour government would have been allowed to do

"If the Conservatives are thought likely to lose the next election, there would be a run on the pound in the wake of Michael Foot's government. They would think that Michael didn't know anything about the exchange rate. That is why Peter Shore is so important, saying the right things and do-ing the right things. We are seen as almost an orthodox party in comparison with what the Conservatives have done and are doing".

Sir Harold kept the party to-

gether for 13 years, a feat which today sounds less the modest boast it seemed when he resigned in 1976. Now he is unhappy about the state of the party and the formation of the Social Democrats.

"It stems from the loss of the election and the growth of the 'cowboys'. The Labour Party has got out of the way



of losing elections. We are now the natural party of government. I had it, of course, in 1970-74 when we had carelessly

"I have watched the last three conferences on television and the spectators see more. What appalled me were those chenched fists at the end. This is a relatively new manifestation, driving people from the party. The dear old ladies who write the addresses at election time, they are the ones to worry about Some of them have been driven out in tears.

"These cowboys are absolute Trots. The number of Communists in the party is very small but the Trots are much more sinister. They are negative and have no policy. There is a fairly like high number of-not intellec-tuals but let's say intelligentsia element there, stemming not

least from the growth of socio-logy as a discipline in the uni-versities."

He damns Mr Tony Benn with faint praise. "He was a very good Postmaster General, all those coloured stamps, still going well. Tony's obsessed with shop stewards. That is why he liked planning agreements, be-cause they would be run by shop stewards. "We were having a shadow

cabinet meeting and I asked for any other business. There knew Tony would have some-thing. And he said, I have just attended a meeting of the Bristol Aerospace workers, I think it was, and they just pas-sed a resolution saying that they should have the right to sack the management at a week's notice. I said, why should they have a week? Why

Sir Harold kept the Labour Party together for 13 years -now he is unhappy about the 'cowboys' with clenched fists .

not give them just a weckend to clear out their lockers? I have always said about Tony

that he immatures with age."
(Sir Harold's reply is an example of his dead-pan humour which has so perplexed po-faced investigative reporters enquiring about spies and conspiracies. "The trouble with Penrose and Courtiour is that they no sense of humour. I would say things as a joke and they

say things as a loke and they took me seriously.")
What of the Social Democrats? "There is a touch of arrogance about Mr Rodgers and Dr Owen. Who was it who said, I wish I was as sure of anything as they are of everything? They are quite able. They were both ministers of state, but I thought that they reached their peak in my time. I would not have made David Owen Foreign Secretary, nor Bill Rodgers Minister of Trans-

port.
"Shirley's a great loss. I do
not think that she has got over the shattering effect of losing that seat. She's easily the best of them. What I regret is that some of our best moderates have hived off to the Owen-Rodgers lot."

Most of Sir Harold's energy in recent months has been devoted to his committee on the City which came out against public intervention in banking and insurance. And he has been ill. Now I am 100 per cent. I had three operations, quite common ones. I was at St Mark's, Islington, and it is the best hospital for it. National Health, of

At the next election he will stand down in favour of "the two or three in my constituency who would make first rate MPs.". Then he will start on his autobiography.

And when he leaves the House, will he accept an honour? Sir Harold smiled. "T've got one." The Queen made him a Kulght of the Garter, a personal honour, in 1976, as mark of her affection for him.

Nicholas Wapshott The Chariot of Israel will be published jointly by Weidenfeld and Nicolson and Michael Joseph on May 5, price £14.95.

nobody should have anything unless everybody can have it. And anyway, the other, poskive, half of freedom is

much more important. There is a freedom which not only takes no account of material circumstances but which even

ignores the imposition of the

worst and most cruel form of incarceration or slavery. Those

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German rabbi who, immersed

by his Nazi concentration-camo

captors in a vat of human ex-crement and laughingly invited

to say a prayer, began it "My

brothers"; that victim of Soviet evil who told his captors

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Hospital : no place for a

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Top of the risks that he is pulmonary embolism (age of the lung arteries by clots) which accounts fo to three per cent of all in hospital. The risks an because of the effect an has on the blond. Severe ing makes the blood stickier so they clot more Furthermore the ineimmobility of the patie | covering from surgery of the blood stagnate in the Studies show that aroun third of all patients form in their leg vein in the immediately after st These blood clots usually no symptoms or only min comfort but they are the of the danger; if the cl comes detached from the of the vein it will be swel the bloodstream to the and on into the lungs.

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pluses in his favour. He a lot of exercise, which k the heart and lungs in § condition and protects aga thrombosis, and he is physic fit and young for his ye young 70-year-old to as eld man of 55.

Overall the chances of st post-operative disaster small enough for the indivito take a faralistic attitude; in Mr Reagan's own idiom. the bullet that bit him had

Not long ago I wrote a column Babout a letter, published in The Guardian, from a young gradu-**Bernard Levin** find a job and who said that he

Free-and a bit too easy

would favourably consider being part of the Eastern block if it would give him work; meanwhile he was existing, he told us, on £18.50 a week. letters commenting on what I have written frequently differ significantly to tone and atti-My point was simple: it was that apart from the bideous poverty in which most of the subject peoples of the Soviet Empire live, his attitude was profoundly, and even shame-fully, mistaken, since freedom was not something to be sold for material comfort. And I cynical have been more than usually interested in the reaction of denouncing us as scoundrels are my readers to what I wrote. Here I must reveal that Tho invariably sent to the Editor)

Times has long followed the most courteous practice of showing letters sent for publi-cation to the member of the editorial staff whose words clicited the reply—that is, if the letter is specifically commenting on something written in the paper, rather than rais-ing some new subject or com-menting on public affairs in general; naturally, this custom does not give the journalist concerned any role in the decision on whether the letter is to be published. I have always same basic argument was used by almost all the writers. And found it a most useful practice : the theme which ran through

tude according to whether they are sent to me direct or to the Editor for favour of publication (it is an axiom among the cycleal and ink-stained cynical and ink-stained wretches of my profession that the letters agreeing with us and praising us are sent privately to us, whereas those

better picture of how my words have been regarded.
I go into this somewhat ercane matter because there have been an exceptionally large number of letters to the Editor arising out of the column in question, and with only a small dissenting minority they have overwhelmingly disagreed with me. They have done so, moreover, on a very narrow range of grounds indeed; the

them seems to me to be well worth exploring today. The readers, with very few exceptions, argued that I was wrong to rebuke the young man for his cavalier attitude to freedom, because it was scandalous that he had not been provided by the state with a job at the end of his education, such provision being his unquestionable right and its denial not only a fundamental flaw in our demofundamental flaw in our demo-cratic system but a powerful and by this means I can get far argument in favour of the thesis that it is perfectly acceptable to give up freedom to a regime which will promise

z job in return. Now I love the readers of this newspaper dearly, one and all; but I am obliged to say that I have never read such blood-freezing rubbish in my

First, there was desperate confusion in their minds on one crucial point; a less kindly man than myself would say that it was not so much confusion as cant. Again and again (this is also true of the letters I have received myself) the writers received myself) the writers argued that our young friend was not free at all, because he didn't have a job. A man without work, to be sure, is unfortunate and inevitably anxious or unhappy; he will certainly be poor (though for this particular young man the incidence of poverty can hardly bear as heavily as on one who has ab-

he is getting two-thirds of what he would have been getting before as a grant-aided student) and he may rapidly become demoralized (though here again, one who has never had regular paid employment is not going to suffer the creeping despair of a man who knows no other life). But it is more than a semantic confusion to say that such a man, however, much he may suffer, is not free; it is also a political and moral confusion. Freedom is both a positive

and a negative state, and in neither mode has it got anything to do with material circumstances. Its negative aspect consists of the absence of restrictions, imposed from without, on the conditions of freedom, which conditions include all those activities which among them enable or assist the individual to control his rulers rather than be controlled by them, together with those which enable or assist him to express himself in all his personal and social relations.

Thus, if we cannot vote our rulers out of office, if we can-not be judged by an impartial and independent justice, if we cannot combine with others to organize politically or industrially, if we cannot write or pray freely, marry whom we want (by mutual agreement, of course), travel whither we wish, know the laws and know them to be consistent, speak our mind, hate our neighbour—if we cannot do all these things and many more like them, we are to that extent unfree. With all these freedoms, of course, there are qualifications. We may hate our neighbour, but we may not burn his house down; we may vote for one government by force if the rival party wins; we may travel abroad, but we must pay our

Ah, says cant; then if a man cannot afford the fare, he is not free: QED. Not so; freedom, like the gentleman in the song, does not promise us a rose-garden. Suppose we define a man as unfree because he cannot afford the fare to Scotland; how then do we define one who can afford the fare to Scotland but not the fare to Venice? Or, if he can afford the fare to Venice, too, is he not unfree while he has to stay in a pensions while another man can take a suite at the Gritti? You see, if we allow economic conditions to define freedom, the definition must become purely relative, and then no one is free except the richest man in the world, and even he cannot buy Mount Everest.

Cant, defeated, retires to think, and then comes back with

we the argument about "basic know necessities"; a man can be free k our without owning a couple of tr—if Bembrandts, but he cannot be free if he doesn't own a roof over his head. But that won't do either. There is nothing that cannot, given sufficient ingenuity on

the part of Professor Peter Townsend or Mr Frank Field. MP, be turned into one of the basic necessities of life, without family, my home, which no family can be considered as leading anything but an animal existence. Depend on it, before many more months that a colour-television set, a car and a regular football-pools entry are no less essential for lifting the individual above the brutes than clothing and bread. And indeed, there is no logical stopping-place at all, because any individual or family, compared with some other, is "deprived" or "underprivi-leged" (I sometimes think that those two words alone without any more evidence, are enough to damn our civilization to the ninety-ninth circle of hell), and since the whole argument (whence the damnation-words above), though its proponents claim that it is based on their desire to uplift the needy, is in fact based on their terrible fanatic yearning to cast down the already uplifted, the result is a way of thought which holds this lie to be self-evident: that

my friends, my liberty, my nossessions-now there is noth ing more you can take, and am free, while you are in prison for ever"; these men demonstrated that that overused couplet enshrines one of the most important principles in the world: that stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage. The ultimate freedom, the truly-indeed literally—vital one, is found within, not without, and an unemployed graduate, if he can find it, is freer than any millionaire who But that is only half the problem with the letter-writers of whom I have spoken. The other half raises the whole question of "rights" in the modern world, of which, according to

the correspondents, the "right" to be provided with a job by "the government" is paramount. To this extraordinary claim I shall address myself tomorrow.

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The bar to sober government

It is absolutely shocking that the bars in the Palace of West-minster should stay open when-ever the House is sitting. The opinion is not mine—I am in favour of the locks on

pub doors being declared offensive weapons calculated to injure the fists of bona fide drinkers trying to gain entry outside the permitted hours. It is that of Lord Avebury, the Liberal peer, who is a

conference on alcoholism in iverpool yesterday, Lord Avebury said there were plenty of examples of political leaders whose drinking habits "must have impaired their intellectual capacity and their judgment". Lord Avebury, who says he has not had a drink for eight vears, said records showed that at the height of the Second World War, there were times when Winston Churchill was prelyrically drunk.

And it is not only a Tory

vice. After a visit to a Soviet collective farm in 1959, Hugh Gaitskell, he alleged, drank 19 tumblers of vodka and finished off with a tumbler of brandy. It is hardly surprising that he then became unconscious and had to be carried to his car by Denis Healey and David Ennals. He then slept it off on the journey back to Moscow." Having drink available at all hours in our seat of government

to the rest of the population, Lord Avebury said. "It is unthinkable that Fords of Dagenham should have a night bar so that if workers felt thirsty they could slip away for a few plats." a few pints.

(I should point out here that, although I know of no har within the Ford works, the Sir Henry Ford pub directly opposite the main gates at opposite the main gates at Dagenham is well patronized). Lord Avebury said the job of being an MP (or even a lord, come to that) forced politicians to consume much more drink than was good for them. And to clinch his argument he idded: "I knew contempor-iries of mine when I was an Speaking at an international MP who died through drink.
onference on alcoholism in There was one MP who drank himself to death. He was always in the bar".

If I had to sit through some of the tedious and irrelevant nonsense that passes for serious debate in the Palace of West-minster, I would be driven to drink too.

Myth heard?

Have you heard the first cuckoo yet? If you think you have, I fear you may have been mis-taken, because the cuckoo-hearing season is not really upon us until the end of the

If you are still convinced that your ears do not deceive you, the man who opens our letters would be grateful if you kept it to yourself; the report of the first cuckoo in the correspondence columns of The Times is one of those myths that will not lie down and die. and too slow with the binocuwas a dreadful example to set It is some years since such a large

letter appeared in this news-

LONDON DIARY

According to Roger Tabor, editor of Country-Side, the journal of the British Naturalists' Association, those living along the Hampshire and Sussex coasts cannot expect to hear the wretched bird before April 12, those in south-west and south-east England much before April 14 and those in the north and Scotland towards the end of the month

During the 75 years that the association has been keeping records, it believes the first cuckoo (and it only just counts because it was a partial albino) was heard and seen on February 26 in southern Scotland. However The Handbook, the ornithologists' bible, puts the date considerably later at March 10.

Sporting the genuine article has become considerably more difficult with the advent in this country of the collared dove, which makes similar noises and has misled several correspon-dents to the opposite page.

The collared dove is not the

only imposter. A Mr Lydekker, FRS, writing in these columns on February 6, 1913, to say he had heard the first cuckoo, had to write again six days later to confess he had been deceived by a bricklayer's labourer who was adroit at imitating it. The moral of all this is:

beware. Cuckoos, of which between 20,000 and 40,000 mating pairs can be expected from North Africa this year, have been late for the last three years. Deep suspicion will fall on anyone too fast with the peu



Do you realize there are four million people all over the world who might suddenly take it into their heads to make all this seem a complete waste of time?

Thumping hit

Whatever merits Tony Benn may or may not have as a politician, he is currently enjoying considerable success as an author. Sales of his most recent printed work are basking in the kind of figures normally reserved for works of potboiling fiction grabbed at station bookstalls to be read without benefit of intellectual effort on long, boring journeys.

Bean's Arguments for Socialism, a combination of his speeches and a series of inter-views with journalist Chris Mullin, sold out in its hardback to impose comprehensive educaversion within eight weeks, despite its £6 price, and has

paperback version, issued last autumn, has sold 40,000 copies in eight months, helped no doubt by aggressive marketing ever its undeniably personable author appears on a platform.

Penguin, the paperback publishers, are understandably pleased by the popularity of the writings of one regarded as the Devil Incarnate by a sub-stantial section of the British voting and book-buying public. Books of political tub-thumping are usually candidates for the remaindered counter.
Emboldened by his success,
Benn is at work on a sequel, as

been reprinted twice.

yet untitled. It will be in the same vein as the first, but this time based on a series of major political lectures he has given over the years. By a happy coincidence, or astute marketing strategy as those in the trade call it, the new work will appear shortly before the election for the deputy leadership of the Labour Party.

If it sells as well as the first,

Benn has either more supporters than he is usually given credit for or his opponents are anxious to bone up on the devil they don't know.

lop stream

I have always imagined the Boat Race to be the exclusive preserve of the upper classes, but I could not help noticing the high proportion of last Satur-day's rowers with a grammar school background. (Despite Mrs Williams' strenuous efforts tion, grammar schools do still

Of the 18 rowers and coxes this year's event. I count set who did not have the benefit the traditional public scheducation, which was or less a prerequisite rowing Blues of the past far the most successful row academy in recent years been Hampton Gram-School, which provided the sturdy bodies for the lan good fortune to be in the

ning boar.
In the past 10 years Hamptoboys have filled 18 places Boat Race crews, well over on the victorious side. Good though Hamp record is, grammar schools

not yet taken over the Bo Race entirely: Hampton third in the league table the past decade, exceeded Radley with 18 places and Em (of course) with 28. If you can to go back to the very beginning of the event you will find total of 652 Eton bottoms 5 ting on Boat Race places. good five lengths ahead Shrewsbury with 130 and ley with 120.

Why under the "mari! I sto tus" section of Sunday's censu form, did they allow for the single, married, divorced an ted? Separation is after all legal status. And why no he for cohabitants? The Census Office tell me that "separated" was too sensitive an issue to have its own box, and as for cohabitants, they were welcome to use the box marked with related-please specify".

Alan Hamilton

WEST GERMANY AND ITALY

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> Arrigo Levi discusses the absence of any common political approach between Europe and the United States. On pages II and III other causes of potential conflict are examined

A relationship strangely out of balance

The relations between the Inited States and Europe are trangely unbalanced. There is permanent and largely institu-ionalized relationship in econmic affairs and a traditional, lmost entirely unstructured elationship in political affairs.
The United States has a lowerful permanent mission in Brussels, dealing with the conomic problems constantly with the permanent in and the rising between it and the uropean Community.

In addition, once a year a ummit meeting of the Seven—
the United States, Canada and japan and the four main lapan and the four main surpean powers — and the resident of the European commission discusses the vorld's economic problems in all and defines a common, coordinated Western strategy or the next 12 months

or me next 12 months.

The summit of the Seven also llows a more informal general iscussion of the main political roblems of the day. But the reparation of the two halves is uriously uneven. While the fficial economic summit is repared by a team of special epresentatives of the seven eads of government or state, arough a series of meetings and consultations of the poweral common institutions (the EC, the OECD, the IEA, the entral banks' network of onstant communications), the nofficial political summit is eft to last-minute improvization y the foreign ministries, hrough their usual diplomatic bannels. These are mostly used on bilateral relations, the acception is European political

ooperation. We all know how imperfect te coordination of Western conomic policy still is, in spite f the existence of those huge stitutions whose purpose is. id has been for many years, to

make such coordination poss-ible and almost unavoidable. The force of the national state remains immense. For instance, the new economic policy of the Reagan Administration, which is the result of purely American political and economic developments. ments, is having a powerful impact on the European econ-omic cycle and the ecomomic decisions of the European

governments.

governments.

As a result the preparation for the Ottawa summit of the Seven in June will provoke a general review of the ensuing problems (like that of the United States high interest rates), and prepare the ground for reconstructing the general picture of the Western economy, allowing the definition of omy, allowing the definition of a general economic strategy agreed by all. The whole exercise will probably produce imperfect results. But the fact that it will take place, and that a number of exercise institutions number of existing institutions have, as their task and duty, the production of agreed economic policies, will certainly act as a powerful brake on antagonistic national tendencies.

If one turns from economics

to political affairs, the picture is entirely different. Of course, the United States continues to plan its foreign policy as a unified exercise. America has the definition one European by definition, one European policy (although, occasionally, there may be two, one emanating from the White House, the other from the State Department, and sometimes even the series of a third from the Pentagon of a third from the Pentagon).
But there is no single European
policy towards the United
States and even if, and when,
European political cooperation,
and informal contacts between the main European powers, produce a common or coordinated political strategy, there is no individual, no political body, institutionally charged with the task of "negotiating with the

Americans".

The lack of a recognized forum where such coordination takes place, with the exception of Nato — whose regional and "military" limitations are well known — leaves political relations between Europe and the United States in a different category from economic relations.

On one side, we have the multilateral, institutionalized diplomacy of the jet and electronic era, and on the other, a bilateral ad hoc diplomacy rooted in ancient traditions—totally unrelated to our world.

The disadvantages of such a situation become particularly evident whenever there comes into existence a new American into existence a new American administration, often with a new philosophy and a new list of priorities. The Europeans have to adjust to these changes, which affect each European government in a different way. Some of them may suddenly find themselves more, others less attuned to the new American mood and policy.

And even if and when the mechanisms of European political cooperation succeed in smoothing over national differences and produce a reasonably coordinated common approach, this is presented to the new
American Administration
through a series of separate
"pilgrimages" across the ocean
by European political leaders.

the Seven finally meet at their annual summit, preceded by a meeting of the foreign ministers at a Nato council, much of the damage will have been done. American and European public opinions will have drifted farther apart in misunderstanding and mutual suspicion.

All this shows how imperfect still is the structure of European political cooperation, in spite of progress made during the past decade, since it does not allow Europe to present a common policy and a common policy and a common policy are triend and image to our greatest friend and ally, the United States. It is equally obvious that coordination of European-American policies is much farther behind. lacking the basic institutional mechanisms which are indis-pensible to containing the inevitable disagreements arising in the moods and policies of American and European American

Contradictions could often be prevented and misunderstandings avoided through timely, permanent consultations. Unfortunately, the statesmen of our day are reluctant to try to invent new institutions. They still rely on those which were set up in the great creative age of Western diplomacy, in the postwar period, a generation ago. Since then, the world has undergone revolutionary changes. Western institutions have mostly remained the same. American Administration through a series of separate "pilgrimages" across the ocean by European political leaders.

'The result is not exactly harmonious, the highly-publicized bilateral Washington meetings emphasize, inevitably the remaining divergences between the European powers, apparently competing for the new President's favours. When the changes. Western institutions have mostly remained the same. We Europeans can be proud of being the only ones who have invented something new, like political cooperation and the European Council. However, we cannot delude ourselves that this is enough. An attempt to this is enough, an attempt to compare the European powers, ican friends, a new kind of alliance can no longer be delayed.



Mrs Thatcher and President Reagan at their recent meeting in Washington. Even when there is a common European policy it is presented through separate "pilgrimages" to America.

Reform of economic policies gathers momentum

At first it had looked like a passing fashion. The image of Keynesian economics had become tarnished and it was time to resuscitate the classical school. It was the law of the pendulum in operation; it was a fickle intelligentsia feeling the need for a change, and so on.
Then there came a more serious
belief that the change in mood
among economists had been
caused by the crisis that had
been revealed, if not actually
induced, by the eruption of oil

But when it gradually became clear that ordinary people throughout the Western world had not only lost patience with excessive state intervention, taxes and social security contributions, but were prepared to vote into power governments which held the same views, there was no longer any denying that a strong current had been set in motion.

With the arrival of Mr Ronald

Reagan at the White House, it has developed into a tidal wave. His radical economic pro-

gramme, dominated by vigorous wielding of the axe over public spending, has impressed the whole world. The new President of the United States has or the United States has therefore presented himself not only as the champion of the cause of fighting inflation, but also as the advocate of a complete reversal of the economic doctrines' which have prevailed hitherto in the American Administration. Over government, the monster that people thought could no longer be stopped growing, is collaps-ing with a great din.

The noise from across the Atlantic should not drown the echoes from the abrupt changes of direction taken in other of direction taken in other countries some time ago. Mrs Thatcher in Britain was the first to break — none too gently — with past methods of conducting an economic policy. Of course, Conservative governments invariably introduce programmes that are very different from those of the Labour governments that they have just put out of office. But

style matters and, moreover, parties tend to tone down the content of their election manifestos when they come to power. It did not take many days after May 3, 1979, for people to realize that Mrs Thatcher had no intention of allowing the sting to be drawn from her programme.

She saw no room for compromise in the range of radical measures to be applied, involving the abandonment of incomes policy and price controls, the reduction of taxes, a halt to nationalization of taxes, a natt to nationalization, the reduction of public spending, monetarism worthy of the Chicago school and abolition of all exchange controls. She certainly had a mandate from the electorate, who returned the Conservatives with their hierart majority. with their biggest majority since the war. According to Hugh Stephenson*, she was strongly influenced by the economists Friedrich Hayek and Milton Friedman, whom she bad met in 1977; their role in spreading the ideas of a radical "new light" is well known. The liberals engages in the

last West German elections is another manifestation of the shift in public opinion, but their influence extends far beyond the real political weight of the FDP. Count Otto Lambsdorff, Minister for Economic Affairs, is determined to defend his liberal doctrines against any ferment of resistance arising out of the crisis. Nor will he find the Chancellor placing any significant restrictions on the development of his ideas, even though those who have a liking for anecdote, and hope to sur up animosity between the two, point out that Herr Schmidt has a portrait of the socialist leader Babel in his office whereas the count works under the sustere gaze of Bismark.†

In France, as always, the conceptual mix is more complex. President Giscard d'Estaing has deliberately set himself up as the apostle of radicalism, and even of "advanced radicalism", signifying that he did not intend to confine himself to the old ideas of the Manchester school. His Government has school. His Government has indeed applied some of teachings of the neo-radicals, abolishing price controls, turn-ing its back on incomes policy in order to encourage dialogue between employers and em-

ployees, and pursuing a policy aimed at helping companies to rebuild their profits. That said, the power of the state remains very great. The total burden of fiscal and social security contributions is rising all the time. Whereas it amounted to 36.3 per cent of the national product at the begin-ning of President Giscard's

seven-year term of office, it now stands at 42 per cent.

At the same time, the state under the premiership of M Barre is intervening in more and more areas of the private sector, whether to experience.

sector, whether to encourage companies to merge or set up plants in certain areas, or to gain control of all the markets where essential technology is involved.

Curiously, the political figure who has most readily associated himself with the radical tidal wave is M Chirac, who now wave is M Chirac, who now presents himself as standing four-square with the majority — but against President Glscard — as a disciple of President Reagan, attacking state centralization, interventionism and milching of the taxpayer.

The radical intellectual re-

surgence is on the crest of a wave in most Western countries, especially in the univer-sities. Examples who spring to mind are J-J. Rosa, Pascal Salin, Christian Morrisson and Alain Wolfelsperger in France, Alan Peacock, John Burton and fessor Giersch's team in West Germany, and Antonio Martino and Sergio Ricossa in Italy.

It is nevertheless difficult to assess what chance this radical revival has of standing the test of time. It all depends on the results achieved with policies pursued under this label. No doubt the economic policies of the Labour Party in Britain or the Democrats in the United States did not come up to the expectations of their architects. expectations of their architects. But although Mrs Thatcher is gradually bringing inflation under control and has elevated sterling to an enviable position, she has had complete lack of success on the employment front (10 per cent of the working population unemployed) and radical theory has suffered a number of setbacks (state support for British tetate support for British Leyland and British Steel, scrapping of the plans to restructure the coal industry, and above all the increase in

direct taxation).
The West Germans for their part are expecting an absolute fall in output in 1981 and their external deficit is reaching

record levels. All eyes are now on the United States. If it makes a good start and manages to maintain a fair growth rate without too much inflation, the flame of radicalism could be burning for some time to come.

Pierre Drouin Mrs Thatcher's First Year. Jill Norman, London 1980. † Journal de Geneve, (January 7, 1981).

Dialogue must replace world's dangerous instability

irmness is needed in dealing with the oviet Union and the regeneration of the uropean Community which has lost the eals for which it was founded. Paolo trimberti talks to SIGNOR EMILIO)LOMBO, the Italian Foreign Minister

t-West relations are at their est level since the invasion zechoslovakia, 13 years ago. ister, are we once again ig through a period of cold

is always difficult to define period in our history by loying the same expressions we used to define earlier ods. I do not think that, in present state of affairs, we speak once more of cold would rather say that we in an unstable international ttion, and for this reason, it very dangerous one.

can we get out of this ndoubtedly the only way, h we must try to make use

s by continuing to talk. We to replace this period of bility with a dialogue that stabilize East-West reas. And that calls for eration and a sense of onsibility on everyone's In this period it has been

was something that the Soviet Union interpreted onesidedly. Whereas the West, in Moscow view, ought to do nothing, but respect its agreements, the Soviet Union was free to take direct action to change existing balances of power.

But the Russians have always said, right from the time of the first Brezhnev-Nixon meeting in 1972, that détente does not mean the "end of ideological competition". There is nothing surprising, therefore, about the Soviet Union's policy of expansion; if anything, it is the way the West sees it that has changed. Why?

Because two things bave changed since then. First of all. as far as ideological competition is concerned, we have seen external military support given individual countries. Undoubtedly, the most obvious case is Afghanistan. But this is not the only one, if we remember the direct or indirect intervention, through the longa manus of the Cubans, in Africa.

On the contrary

ideological competition.

of détente, has been less concerned than in the past to guarantee a balance of forces, above all military force, as well as a balance of influence in the

With regard to the balance of forces, do you consider the proposal of the Soviet President, Mr Leonid Brezhnev. acceptable, for a moratorium on the installation of theatre nuclear forces in Europe?

The moratorium that Mr Brezhnev proposes today is very different from what was proposed 10 months ago by Chancellor Schmidt. The Soviet proposal aims at the ratification of a condition of substantial inequality which, quite apart from the East-West relationship taken overall, particularly af-fects Europe. Now, Mr Brezhnev's proposals have something to commend them, since they express an aspiration and desire to discuss, and to negotiate. But in themselves they are not acceptable. It is important that the bases for this discussion should be reasonable and fair. Minister, you were the first

or the constant threats to European statesman to have a Poland, I do not think that this meeting with President Reagan boils down purely and simply to and Secretary of State Haig. After which, you had a number And second, the West, which of talks with all your European is indeed experiencing a phase colleagues. Do you agree with of detente, has been less the analysis that the new American Administration has made of the international situation? Is there a common European line?

> Yes, we share the same views, and consider that the firmness shown by the United States is a good thing. Obviously, it is the kind of firmness that we value, with good reason, because it is in favour of dialogue; but it is a dialogue that begins from positions of absolute equilib-

Italy has a special terrorism problem. Do you also share seral Haig's view when he that the Soviet Union is "godmother" of world

I think that the American analysis goes beyond the phenomenon of terrorism as we understand it in Italy, and also in Europe. It embraces phenomena of various types, especially the revolutionary movements within individual countries, which are supported by external intervention. It is a very much more extensive interpretation of

is certainly difficult, as things are today, to translate concretely - that is, into diplomatic action — the need and desire for dialogue that you have mentioned several times. But, from the practical view point, what can we do today?

We can, for a start, send the

Soviet Union clear signals to make it understand that detente would be irreversibly compromised if there were any other action aimed at changing the present balance; or we were asked to accept as a fair accompli situations such as Afghanistan, without seeking political solutions. I think that this attitude would be import-ant. Moreover, I believe that the West must restore the status quo, where equilibrium has been upset.

This gives us the problem of bow, and where, the West must concentrate its action. Recently there have been arguments over the suggestion, which then lapsed, for a limited summit in Martinique. There was a report by four institutes of inter-national relations that put national relations that put forward various proposals for dealing with crises, and empha-sized that the so-called "principal nations", which excludes Italy, have a special role. What

The report contains a number of assessments and views on Western policy with which we can broadly agree. Then it looks at ways of drawing up a common policy but, in my view, comes to the wrong conclusion. There are already European and, in the broader sense, Western institutional consultative bodies that function perfectly well.

Under our own presidency the summit meeting of the seven most highly industrialized countries was changed from a purely economic meeting to one that was also political. If, therefore, we are looking for a Western consultative body that can include also a large Asiatic power such as Japan, the meeting of the seven is the

We do not at all believe in the usefulness of summit meetings of the Guadeloupe kind. Experience tells us that they do more harm than good, and it is better not to repeat them. Italy has shown it wants to take on its own responsibilities within the Western alliance, but certainly would not wish to undertake duties, or apply decisions, in

the framing of which it had had But a country's foreign policy policy. And, to the outside world

Italy projects an image of continuous government crises and perennial economic weak ness. How can it have any pretensions to authority foreign policy? When speaking with the leaders in other countries I found myself following two lines of

reasoning that are apparently

contradictory. From the point of view of its international orien-

tation Italy is certainly the most

stable postwar country. It has taken its decisions, and stood by

them. Indeed, within the country some political forces even had opposed these decisions, and then declared their support for There is, however, the other side of the picture. I always have to make it clear that this constancy and continuity will be maintained despite the fact of and uncertainty of internal policy, the weaknesses of our economic policy and the almost total unawareness of certain social and political forces within

foreign policy. In the recent past, one of the the European partners has often been the European Community. What, Minister, is your diagnosis of the state of bealth of the EEC?

We realize that we have already achieved a great deal, and not without difficulty. We are not however, satisfied. Not only, and not so much, because a number of substantial Italian interests sometimes do not appear to be taken into account in the development of Community poldevelopment or community por-icy. But, above all, because we believe that Europe has lost its drive, has lost the ideals for which it was brought into being, and has today become a fount of fragile compromises, slow to be reached, and not always fair to

We can always ask this or that country for sacrifices, in this or that sector, if we remain true to the final objective, which is European union and, by implication, a common responsibility towards the other leading powers in world policy, and a commit ment to the harmonious develop ment of all member countries and components of the Community.

our country that there is a direct relationship between strength and cohesion in domestic policy and efficiency and prestige in

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pending will remain steady, despite a e of high pressure over CAP reform, affected by a blocking anticyclone.

Budget, with temperatures rising, winds reaching storm force 10, severe funnelling at times, and the depression slowly backing and filling. Under the influence of westerly airstreams, particularly affecting the trades,

gales force 8 to 9 may be imminent in sea

areas Rockall, Bailey and Reagan. No icing is expected. Further outlook: continuing depression, with thunder at times, poor conditions on left of the chart possibly leading to local disturbances, with similar outbreaks due to associated fronts crossing on the far right.

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The Reagan economy

Stronger dollar would oppress the Old World

How is Europe likely to be affected by the new economic policy in the United States? The American influence will make itself felt, directly and indirectly, through develop-ments in three areas, which may be interrelated but not necessarily: whether or not the Reagan programme to restore the balance of the domestic economy succeeds, whether or not the American trade deficit can be eliminated, and whether or not a stricter interpretation of the defence of American national interests leads to use of the economic lever.

What chances of success are there for the programme an-nounced by the Reagan Administration to reduce public spending and simultaneously reflate the economy by means of tax reductions at a time when inflation threatens? It takes no great foresight to realize that it has aroused so many hopes that disappointment is bound to follow, even if it is partly successful — although that would still be an achievement. would still be an achievement.

The fact is, however, that the dollar's rise, which can be explained by the high rates of interest in the United States but is not justified by any change in the economic indices, has already produced an undeniable psychological effect which has coincided with an opposite effect in West Cermany

coincided with an opposite effect in West Germany. effect in West Germany.

In fact, whether it succeeds partly or not, this programme serves notice that the United States has become aware of the need to put its bouse in order. It is abandoning the essentially political and social approach which has prevailed since the Kennedy presidency to revert to more risponals economic policy.

more rigorous economic policy and it is undertaking a change of direction as radical as President Roosevelt's New Deal, although entirely different. This sudden urge to sweep one's doorstep clean, with the constant temptation to brush a few difficulties in the direction of the Old World (as has been seen in Washington's efforts to discourage Japan from accept-ing voluntary limitation of its

car exports to Europe), necessarily creates a more or less corresponding need for Europe to respond in kind. The second possibility of change — the restoration of the American trade balance — is perhaps not so remote or improbable as may be thought. At all events, having complained for more than 20 years about the chronic deficit of their great sily and the weakness of the dollar, countries in Europe would be well advised to consider how they would fare if

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faced with an American trade

surplus and a strong dollar. The crude price chances of this combination President Re materializing are virtually inde-pendent of the prospects of success for the Reagan programme, although those countries would clearly suffer if the programme failed dramatically and ended in accelerating inflation and economic de-pression — but that is far from

being the most likely outcome.
In 1980 American oil imports amounted to \$78,000m, while the trade deficit was \$32,000m. American exports, however, are traditionally fairly low because of the postwar tendency to invest abroad direct rather than export. Although exports have risen substantially (by 21 per cent in 1980), they still amount to only 10 per cent of the American gap, compared with 20 to 25 per cent in the other industrialized countries, so that there is very considerable room for manoeuvre. The measures introduced under the previous administration to promote exadministration to promote exports are beginning to bear fruit and others are now following, particularly in the form of relaxation of regulations, despite the reduction on Eximbank financing facilities.

If exports continue to increase at roughly the same rate (the rising dollar is making matters more difficult, but does not seem to be a major obstacle) and American oil production

and American oil production rises spectacularly in response to the removal of controls on

President Reagan on arrival in office, the American trade deficit could disappear quite quickly. The European countries could then find that they suffer on various fronts, with a stronger dollar pushing up the cost of their imports (of oil in particular), with a trade adversary which is much more determined to defend its interests and the possibility of a reversal of international finan-

The need to give serious consideration to these possibilities is heightened by the prospect of the emergence of a third development in American policy: the systematic use of the economic lever as an instrument for exertion of power or, more exactly, for staunch defence of American interests. The "linking" con-cept launched by Mr Reagan on the day he was elected as the basis for relations with the Soviet Union has clearly not Soviet Union has clearly not been announced as the basis for relations with Europe and its constituent nations. It would be an obvious diplomatic gaffe to announce: "We give you mili-tary protection, but you must pay the cost and we must derive a minimum level of benefit."

The sensitive areas of relations between **EEC and the United States**

The EEC's deficit with the United States more than doubled between 1979 and 1980, from \$13,000m to \$28,000m (its deficit with 1980). with Japan in 1980 was \$10,700m). On Mr Reagan's arrival in power, the main differences between the EEC

and the United States were in these areas : The dollar. Its rising exchange value is largely attributable to a policy of high interest rates. With the present change in this policy, interest rates have begun to come down.

Export credit. The later stages of the Carter Administration saw a full-scale export tredit war between the EEC and the United States within the OECD. The Americans accused the Europeans of fixing export credit interest rates at much too low levels in order to secure contract in the Third World countries. This argument has not yet been settled and President Reagan's decision to reduce the funds appropriated to the Export-Import Bank by

Nevertheless, there is good reason to believe that this general principle will not be only to American with the Soviet Union,

\$410m will not belp to find solution. Textiles. EEC manufacturers are worried about the increasing shares taken by the United States in the Ten's markets in corduroy and denim, which have increased to 23 per cent and 30 per cent respectively, from 10 per cent and 24 per cent in 1977.

In addition, they find that there has been an effective increase in American customs duties on European made-up clothes as a result of changes in

Iron and steel. The United States has decided to raise the "trigger prices" (minimum, prices) for imported iron and steel products by an average of 4.4 per cent with effect from March 1.

This decision seems all the more regrettable in view of the declining volume of EEC from and steel exports to the United States, from 7,400,000 tons in 1978 to 5,400,000 in 1979 and 3,900,000 tons in 1980.

but also to Cealings with all other countries. Moreover, it is in line with recent Republican diplomacy; it will be remem-bered that in 1973 the European members of Nato had to hold firm against President Nixon and Dr Kissinger to prevent the expansion worldwide of issues the negotiations over a new Atlantic charter (which never saw the light of day).

The European countries pre-ferred to discuss different subjects separately, with monetary matters for the IMF, trade matters for Gatt and military matters for Nato. It is not certain that they will be able to maintain such compartmentali zation in the important discussions between allies during the months leading to the Western summit to be held in Ottawa next July before the meetings between the United States and the Soviet Union scheduled for the autumn. In fact, it has already been given out that summit meetings will no longer be confined to economic matters, but will probably also include defence issues.

The European region could well gain from this in strategic terms, but is much less likely to obtain any economic advantage. Even supposing that the United States uses every means at its disposal, including, for in-stance, its ability to spark off a soya war or to resort to various other deterrents to induce the dismanding of the agricultural common market which it finds increasingly vexing, the Europeans will still, at least, have the consolation of telling them-selves that what is good for their greatest ally is good for

themselves whether or not the economic order anounced by the OECD in its table of incomes per head in 1979 really corresponds to the existing political order; not a few American newspapers commented bitterly on the news that the United States no longer came first but tenth in the league table of average personal incomes, behind Switzerland, Denmark, West Germany, Swe-den, Luxembourg, Norway, Belgium, Iceland and France.

In conclusion, Europe will pay. Judgment of the overall success of American policy will come down to the question of whether or not, all things considered, the position of Western countries as a whole is improved, even in a different muter.

Jacqueline Grapin

Question mark hangs over US aid to Third World

Wave of panic over threat of cuts

When President Reagan au-nounced the drastic cuts that he intended to make in the budget for American contributions to the international organizations, a ripple — not to say a wave — of panic spread through international Geneva.

Similar reactions greeted his statements about the priority that his country intended to attach to combating inter-national terrorism at the expense of the defence of human rights and economic and social right. And it was not long before people began to notice that some American diplomats were giving premonitory signs of a Red Guards style of approach, with the catch-phrase 'let's make a clean sweep" However, while still worried

about the new American admin-istration, the "Unocrats" soon realized that all was not lost. The new American representatives were having little success in concealing their inexperience of international organizations. the effect of which was to induce greater circumspection in the Reagan administration.

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It became clear that political directives did not always coincide with international realities and that, in Geneva
especially, there were matters
in hand and resolutions already
passed which could not easily
be reversed. Moreover, the
inertial mass of international
machinery was an obstacle that
the United States would have to
reckon with. The clean sweep
policy gradually gave way to
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The new American policy is indistinct in some areas and no significant developments were discernible at the conference on disarmament, but there is one area in which it has changed: human rights. For all their projection of themselves as champions of human rights, the representatives of the Carter Administration on the United Nations human rights commission—and all the other members too—turned a blind eye to the excesses of Savak in eye to the excesses of Savak in the Shah's Iran and the violations of human rights in with the victims of Latin American dictators.

This year, however, the United States abstained on a resolution calling for the termination of arms sales to the El Salvador regime, reflecting its fear of international terrorism and communism, particularly where the communists are not in power. Nor have the American delegates on this commission been excessively tactful towards the East Euro-

countries or countries whose An Afghan refugee camp just inside the Pakistan border at Pishin, in Kandaregimes are sympathetic to communism, Unicef, for its part, remains worried. Mr Grant, its executive

har province. People had walked for hundreds of

miles over difficult terrain

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voluntary contributions, particularly those from

United States, are not losing

It seems that the United

States is prepared to provide financial support for the con-ference of African refugees opening in Geneva on Thursday and does not intend to abandon

the two million or so Afghan

refugees or the hundreds of Asian refugees. Mischief-mak-ers in Geneva point out that, in American eyes, refugees are not

to be despised, especially when they have fled from communist

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director, said: "The proposed reductions would be a serious blow to the world effort to achieve minimum standards of active infinition standard of nutrition, health care, edu-cation, hygiene and economic prospects for almost a million children who are at present pean countries, or Cuba in particular. One of them, Mr Novak, caused a sensation when suffering from utter poverty at its very worst". Mr Blanchard, director general of the International Labour Office, was another senior official who did not conceal his concern, although as the last meeting of vigorously denouncing the viol-ence of the ritual condem-nations aimed exclusively at the state of Israel, taking the opportunity to refer to anti-Semitism and murderous though at the last meeting of the governing body of the ILO the United States agreed to a 9 per cent increase in its budget.

hatred.
The institutions which de-pend for their existence on At the World Realth Organization, the International Telecommunication Union and the World Metreorological Organization, they are awaiting the next major conferences to united States, are not losing heart. For instance, Mr Hardling, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, found his recent meeting with Mr Bush, vice-president of the United States, "good, useful and encouraging", although he had not been given any firm promises about money.

It seems that the United gauge the extent of the likely The United Nations Develop

ment Programme, which de-pends heavily on American aid, needs \$6,500m for 1982-86, an increase of 14 per cent over 1981. The United States is proposing a contribution which is slightly higher than this year's, but falls far short of the needs and what was hoped for.

The United States has never been particularly well disposed towards the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad), but it took a particularly rough attitude during the negotiations

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on tin and has stated that ! not attend the sixth U conference if it is hel Havana. The main function of Ur

which is in effect a platfore Third World claims, is stab tion of raw materials prices the United States intend encourage the policy of reon market forces. It does seem to be prepared to any concessions, either or transfer of technology or is global negotiations on modities, and shows a ma preference for bilateral lations. So too does the S Union which plays a lir role only in Unctad provides aid selectively countries which interes

politically. At the United Nations E omic Commission for Europhich endeavours to con itself to technical matters, result of which it is the East-West body which work spite of political vicissitude reat changes are expected. United States is admit showing no enthusiasm President Brezhoov's prop for high-level conferences

The present pattern of Ar can policy is erratic and it harden once all the appointments have taken their posts, but one thing so certain in Geneva: the Ur States' lack of interest in T World development places itional responsibilities Europe in international r

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Facts and figures

Employment conundrum: need to strike a balance

In their efforts to solve their economic problems, the govern-ments of the industrialized countries are being made to look more than ever as though they are "circling the magic square" as they endeavour to strike a balance between output, employment, prices and balance of payments. The task before them looks much more arduous than what they had to contend with after the first oil price crisis, when it did not take too long to restore balance-ofpayments positions, reduce inflation to a manageable level and even contrive a resumption

of growth.
It may be possible to live with trade deficits by accumulating debts, which all governments are resigned to (including those that deny it), and with high prices, but one objective remains a forlorn hope, at least in the immediate term: restoration of full employment. The of full employment. The em-ployment situation suffering from the combination of the cyclical effects of the recession and the structural effects of profound changes in the industrial fabric imposed by fierce international competition. In struggling through this difficult period, each country must simultaneously avoid an unacceptable increase in its unemployment figures and resist the temptation to take ill-considered defensive ac ion which would

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Unemployment figures are always debatable and are sometimes challenged as misleading. Demographic, social and econ-omic contexts vary from country to country, as do the calculation methods used and the manner in which the politicians. Nevertheless, the picture becomes clearer when one looks at growth rates as well as absolute figures. The unenviable position of unchalwhere the number of unemployed has soared over the past 12 months, so that 10 per cent of the working population is now out of work, as our graph

bulletin. Group points out that, by 1982, the North Sea oil profits of £15,000m will be wholly absorbed by benefits to the unemployed, whose numbers are expected to have risen to three million. In other words, this revenue is going to be used for defensive social measures, whereas the priority ought to be to pave the way for recovery by providing industry with re-

sources for investment. The same bulletin also makes the point that companies are not even deriving any benefit in terms of competitiveness from trimming of their workforces because business is

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mortgage the promised benefits United States: business still buoyant of a recovery in 1982. Growth rate: American business justed, fell slightly from 7.4 per

activity remains buoyant, thanks largely to high consumpthanks largety to high consump-tion, with retail sales up by 2.9 per cent in January and by 0.9 per cent in February. However, industry's orders slipped for January, and industrial output by 0.5 per cent in February.

Prices: On the basis of December, January and February, the annual rates of increase rose to 9.2 per cent in the case of wholesale prices and remained at 11.5 per cent in that of retail

Unemployment: The unemployment rate, expressed as a proportion of the working population and seasonally ad-

and even 17 per cent.

declining even more rapidly. It declining even more rapidly. It may be that an increase in unemployment is inevitable, but it should not be accelerated by the effects of an excessive monetary and budgetary policy. Otherwise Britain will be plunged into the vicious circle of deep-seated depression, with the realization of the forecast of \$500,000 unemployed by 1985. 3,500,000 unemployed by 1985

made by the Confederation of British Industry.

The confederation has put forward a four-year recovery plan, to be financed by oil revenue, which would reduce the figure to a little over two million. Alas, the Budget announced on March 10, which just scraped through Parliament, was unrelenting in the

pursuit of austerity.

It is necessary to avoid the two unrealistic extremes of excessive monetary stringency and wanton reflation, which would exacerbate trade deficits and create employment not set. and create employment, not at home, but abroad through increased imports. France has apparently chosen the middle course, but it has failed to prevent a steady increase in unemployment which, as has been shown by a survey carried out by the national statistical nstitute, is the cause of great fear among the French people and is becoming the most important theme in the present presidential election campaign.

The outgoing President, M Valery Giscard d'Estaing, when questioned by journalists during a televised debate, admitted that unemployment had been the black spot in his seven-year term of office, although going on immediately to demonstrate. on the basis of carefully selected favourable statistics, that France had suffered rather less than other countries and would fare better in the future

by about 1985, when the
declining surplus in the working population would be showing through

ing through.

The approach here is to follow much the same principle as with the balance of payments

cent to 7.3 per cent between January and February. Although the percentage fall in recent months has been small (0.3 per cent), there has been a substantial rise in the total number in employment (up

Foreign trade: The trade deficit, calculated fob-cif, which had been reduced to only \$1,600m in November, has risen again sharply, to \$3,110m in December and \$5,440m in January and \$3,150m in February. Monetary and financial influence: Prime rates have continued their downward trend, in steps from 19 per cent to 18 per cent, and on to 17.5 per cent

Japan: foreign trade shows surplus

Growth rate: Industrial output tose by a further 0.6 per cent in anuary, and 2.5 per cent in February. Consumer spending, however, is stagnant.

Prices: Calculated on the basis December, January and February and annualized, the

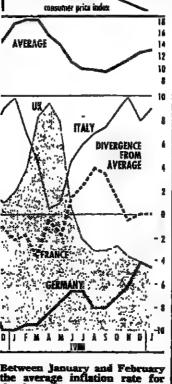
On the year-on-year basis, it is 6.5 per cent.
Unemployment: The unemployment rate, calculated as a proportion of the working population and seasonally ad-justed, is 2.2 per cent. Foreign trace: The trade balance, calculated fob-cif and seasonally adjusted, showed surpluses of \$470m in January and \$170m in February.

rate of inflation is 2.8 per cent.

and accumulating debt. It is a question of dealing in "employ-ment futures". Hence the adoption of measures which help to buy time, such as the provision of state aid to promote part-time employment or early retirement. The trick is to avoid over-emphasizing social benefits to the extent of killing competitiveness.
There is no lack of alternative

proposals, such as a sharp reduction in working hours or a vigorous boost to growth, reaching maximum employment and placing obstacles in the way of imports, or provisions to favour labour productivity by placing the emphasis in taxation on machinery rather than manpower. The last of these proposals would jeopardize the proposals would jeoparaze the new technology which the motor industry, for instance, must accept if it is to meet the challenge from Japan. In the present electoral atmosphere, miracle solutions abound, but unfortunately economic and social reality will not fail to demonstrate their limitations.

West Germany has much greater room for manoeuvre than France and certainly Britain, whatever interpretation

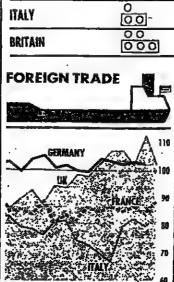


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Between January and February the average inflation rate for the four *Europa* countries was unchanged at 12.8 per cent. There were slight increases in West Germany (from 8.3 per There were slight increases in West Germany (from 8.3 per cent to 8.7 per cent), Britain (7.9 per cent to 8.3 per cent) and France (11.8 per cent to 12.7 per cent). Italy on the other hand showed a slight improvement, from 23.3 per cent to 21.9 room 23.3 per cent to 21.9 per cent. These rates are based on the past three months. On the year-on-year reckoning they work out at 5.4 per cent for West Germany, 12.5 per cent for Britain, 12.6 per cent for France and 20 per cent for

is placed on the statistics and despite the sometimes disadvantageous comparisons that are being made. The side of the magic square which is giving greatest cause for concern in Germany is the balance of payments, where a vicious circle is causing a rapid decline in the terms of trade. The recently announced

monetary measures pointed clearly to the West German preoccupation with this aspect the economy, which could make for deepening recession and greater underemployment. The figure of one million unemployed has already been exceeded and it has the same exceeded and it has the same psychological significance as the nearing of two million in France and three million in Britain. The impact has been all the greater in that the man in

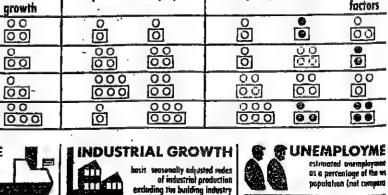


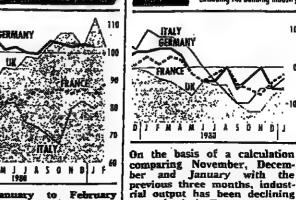
From January to February cover of imports by exports (calculated fob-cif and seasonal-(calculated fob-cif and seasonally adjusted) slipped from 113 per cent to 102 per cent in Britain and rose from 84 per cent to 89 per cent in France. Between December and January it was unchanged in West Germany at 102 per cent but rose to 104 per cent in February, and fell from 89 per cent in Italy. cent in Italy.

Chancellor Schmidt's celebrated dictum to the effect that "today's profits are tomorrow's investments and the day after tomorrow's jobs". It seemed only recently that West Germany was on course for these objectives, but their

attainment is now compro-mised. What is worse, the meaning of the Chancellor's words is in danger of being drastically distorted by the increasing investment in productivity into which West German industry is being forced by Japanese and American competition, with no compensating growth in business activity.

The trade unions have lost their faith in the virtues of wage restraint and are now looking to more direct courses of action; the DGB, for instance, is promoting a plan which, the street has become accustomed to taking comfort in which, with government finance, would create between 200,000 and 300,000 jobs in five



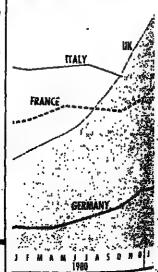


more slowly in France (minus 2 per cent), Italy (minus 3 per cent) and Britain (minus 6 per cent), but not in West Germany (minus 6 per cent). selected branches of industry. However, both Herr Matthoef-er, the Minister of Finance, and Herr Lambsdorf, the Minister for Economic Affairs, are

resolutely opposed to all reflationary schemes. Indeed, the latter has advised everybody to "work hard and tighten your belts". That is all very well for those who still have jobs, although it is true that shorttime working is widely used in West Germany as a formula for waiting for better times. If the statistics are to be

believed, Italy has been overtaken by Britain in the past 12 months as the country with the highest rate of unemployment. It has to be realized that business activity was at a high level in Italy for much of 1980, so that unemployment was kept down, but it could well rise appreciably with the economic

Unemployment is a priority problem with the same ranking as the enormous balance-ofpayments deficit. The plan of Signor Manca, Minister for Foreign Trade, had been to boost exports and employment simultaneously by means of credit facilities, but in the end



Between January and Febru the unemployment rate, pressed as a proportion of working population and se working population and a nally adjusted, rose from many adjusted, rose from the per cent to 4.65 per cent in We Germany, from 7.25 per cent 7.45 per cent in France as from 9.2 per cent to 9.5 per cent in Bristone 9.5 per cent in Britain.

the Government was left no alternative but to develue

Admittedly, Italy is able than other countries to it back on the regulatory mechan isms of the "black economy where it has a mass of efficient small businesses. Their circul stances contrast dramatical with those of the large comp nies in such industries a chemical engineering which are almost bankrupt and an unable to continue employ their hundreds of thousands workers without state sid. Maurice Bommensati

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Protectionism in America

Japanese cars may have to brake at import barriers

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Despite the many vows that free trade will be upheld, a cry for protectionist measures invariably sweeps through the United States whenever home industries have overreached themselves or there is a downward trend in the economy. Imported Japanese cars are the latest products to be pilloried. And it was only a short while ago that the United States Government brought in artificial barriers against imports of textiles, clothing, high-grade steel, colour television sets, electronic goods, leather footwear, sugar and carbon need.

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Demand for compartmentation is traditional in the United States. The United States processing industry grew up behind a wall of protective tariffs. The Hawley-Smoot Tariff Act signed by President Hoover in 1929 plunged America and the rest of the world into the Great Depression. After 1945, in the absence of foreign competition, the United States could safely reintroduce a policy of free trade. This lasted until 1971, when President Nixon imposed a 10 per cent import duty overnight.

Bets are being laid in Washington that the necessary preparations have already been

Washington that the necessary preparations have already been made for an all-out assault against the flood of Japanese car imports. So far, however, only the outward trappings are involved. Since, under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt), unilateral restrictions on trade are outlawed, the Reagan Administration is thinking in terms of an Orderly Market Agreement (OMA), whereby Tokyo would undertake to restrict exports to the United States to a specific volume for a specified period of time.

time. Voluntary restraint, or orderly marketing, agreements of this kind, which incidentally are an American invention, have worked well for Washington in the past. With the exercise of sufficient pressure all foreign governments have proved amen-able. Japan has already carried out a number of such agree-

ments.

But Congress is urging tougher measures. The stage when Detroit's own faulty planning alone was blamed for the fatal decline in sales is long since past. All those concerned in government have taken fright, which in view of the high level of unemployment and the huge losses suffered by the four United States car companies (\$4,200m in 1980, and still probably \$500m in 1981) is not surprising. The sword of Damocles is hanging over Chrysler in particular, which

has already been compelled to ask for government credits ask for government credits amounting to \$1,200m.

Two Bills are now on the debating list which vie with each other in the severity of their proposals. One has been submitted by Senators Danforth and Bentsen, a Republican-Democrat partnership, which proposes a unilateral limitation on Japanese imports by the United States Government. Under the terms of this Bill, Japan is required to reduce its exports by 15 per cent for the next three years, so that instead of 1,900,000 cars, imported into the United States in 1980, the permitted volume would drop to

permitted volume would drop to 1,600,000. The other Bill, put forward by Congressmen Brodhead and Hillis, envisages an import

quota for 1981-83 of 1,200,000 waits. After that, the Japanese would be permitted to add a further 5 per cent in volume, making the maximum total about 1,260,000 and 1,350,000 units for 1984 and 1985 respect-

units for 1984 and 1985 respectively. Such a quota restriction could also affect exports from Europe. But this would apply to the base year.

In introducing these Bills their sponsors pleaded that the dire straits in which Detroit is placed call for exceptional measures. The United States motor industry, which needs \$80,000m to finance projects for conversion to small-car production by 1985, should be given the opportunity, they given the opportunity, they claim, to adapt itself to the changed circumstances of

There is also a fear on Capitol Hill that the continual rise in fuel costs in the United States could lead to even greater demand for the little cars from Japan. In January alone the Japanese exported 551,539 cars to the United States — 33 per cent more than for the corresponding month last year.

Moreover, Congress is also looking with some concern to Europe. It believes — and the same applies in reverse — that if the EEC decides to impose official restrictions there could be a new surge of Japanese exports to the American market. Mr Philip Caldwell, the president of the Ford Motor Company, has been stirring up feelings with references to the unilateral restrictions on Japanese imports that Britain, Italy

sending 10 industrialists to view European MT this month. Finally, what of human translation? "Computers threa-ten translators' jobs", a

and France have already intro-duced, and to the fact that the duty on imported cars levied by the Community is three times as high as that imposed in America.

America.

Two members of President Reagan's Cabinet, Mr Baldrige and Mr Lewis, the Secretaries of Commerce and Transportation, are backing Congress's proposals with the argument that under the Administration's depreciation scheduling it will be three years before Detroit receives any active assistance. Opposed to them, as exponents of free trade, are the President himself, his chief economic adviser Mr Weidenbaum, Mr Stockman, the Budget Director, and Mr Donald Regan, the Finance Secretary, all of whom have given warning against the

inflationary consequences of compartmentation. They clearly fear a chain reaction through

out America.

Domestic policy considerations, meanwhile, will tip the scales. It seems probable that Washington and Tokyo will conclude an orderly market agreement before Congress can get down to business. A document will be signed during the forthcoming visit of Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Japanese Prime Minister, in May, which will probably limit imports of Japanese cars to 1,700,000 a year. But voluntary OMAs are still an unadulterated form of still an unadulterated form of

> Horst Alexander Siebert Round of multilateral trade

Food markets

Cooperation still elusive

The recent extension of the 1971 International Wheat Agreement (the sixth such extension, for two years on this occasion) clearly reflects the inability of the large agricultural producers to make progress in cooperating on the administration of markets. The change of government in Washington adds to the uncertainty over the prospects for the conclusion of further

As far as relations between the United States and the European Economic Community are concerned, wheat is an interesting example in that it illustrates the fundamental conflict of interests between the two economic powers both with two economic powers, both with their own volumes of pro-duction and exports, and each reluctant to accept an agree-ment which would constrain the

The United States is the world's biggest exporter of food and agricultural produce, followed by France and The Netherlands. It is also the second largest importer, after West Germany and ahead of Britain and Japan. However, the EEC as a whole is at one and the same time the Americans' foremost customer and a per-manent exporter of certain products (sugar, cereals and dairy produce) to markets where the United States also

This may look like a trade This may look like a liave power struggle between two blocks, but in practice the EEC is fettered by the nature of its imports from the United States, the bulk of which is accounted for hyperseles (maize and soya) for by proteins (maize and soya) of vital importance to European stock-breeders.

In 1973, when the Nixon Administration placed an embargo on soya exports, the effects in Europe were more psychological than economic. Importers had the weakness of their recition has unaturable home. their position brought home to them, but the two-mouth em-bargo itself did not result in any substantial reduction in exports of soya bean oil-cake or seed.

Since that time, however, the export of food and agricultural produce has become both a national duty and an instrument of world strategy for the United States, whereas previously it had served primarily as a means of regulating domestic prices. Rather than declare embargoes of doubtful efficacy, the United States has campaigned consists. States has campaigned consistently for the lowering of customs and non-tariff barriers.

It has had a fair measure of

negotiations. It was able to defend its own protectionist measures against in:gorts of dairy produce, while managing to have the zero rate of customs duty on soya imports confirmed and also making a breach in the EEC tariff barriers to secure the right to export 'high quality' beef and veal, thereby pointing the way to other meatproducing countries.

The strategy of the United States towards Europe is fairly simple, coming down to obstructing EEC exports and promoting its own, but it is made to seem more complicated by the camouflage of diplomatic language. On both sides of the Atlantic, much play is made with the meaning of words.

Granted our agricultural systems

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Granted our agricultural systems are not comparable. But the Americans talk of export subsidies and customs harriers, where the Europeans refer to a Community system of protection for producers and consumers, What the Community calls export aids and subsidies for producers are described by for producers are described by the United States as norma arrangements for credit and market stabilization to maintain prices or producers' incomes.

The differences between the Carter and Reagan administrations on this subject are probably not as great as the electoral campaign might have suggested. The role of government according to President suggested. The role of government, according to President Reagan, is to create the conditions for free competition. The Republican Government team does not favour bilateral agreements, except with the centralized-economy countries, which represent a substantial proportion of American export markets, and it has maintained the export credo.

The resources of the Com-modity Credit Corporation have been strengthened and the continuation of the embargo on exports of cereals to the Soviet Union itself still seems to be Union itself still seems to be more of an inconvenience to the European countries involved than to the United States. Did not Mr Bob Bergland, Secretary of Agriculture under Mr Carter, admit on leaving office that American exports to Eastern Europe, especially East Germany and Czechoslovakia, had actually increased?

The slight tendency towards an alignment between world prices and European prices could help to make the Americans less critical of European protectionism. Unless, that is, the content of the content o the narrowing margins competition in world trade.

Jacques Grall

Translating costs rise

Machines take over the drudgery

"The only major project of its kind in the world . the Eurotra project is at the frontier of current human knowledge." This description of a proposed European system for computerized or machine translation comes not from its promoters, but from the European Parliament's Patterson report on the problems arising from the nultilingualism of the Euro-

rean Community".
To finance Eurotra the suropean Commission is seeking 16m from EEC institutions nd national governments - a mail sum compared to the cost f the Community's unique untilingualism and the worldride investment in machine

The EEC has seven official inguages, two more than the inited Nations. All are equal. Inder the Treaty of Rome, igislation and major doculents appear in all seven nguages and sometimes also a Irish. Language-related costs. translating, interpreting and ack-up services — account for ore than 40 per cent of the ost of administering the ommunity (60 per cent in the use of the Council and arliament). They totalled 170m in 1979 and are rising onstantly, with a 10 per cent anual increase in papers anslated, and a greater jump ith every new official lan-

Last year each of six languagwas translated and inter-eted into the other five, aking 30 language pairs. Now reek gives seven times six, or reek gives seven umes six, or pairs, and soon Spain and rugal are likely to make that. For many pairs (Danish to eek, for instance) enough mpetent linguists do not even

The reason for this high ideal The reason for this high ideal Community multilingualism is been well expressed by the itch head of the Comission's translators in Luxemurg, Albert Bachrach. Recogze a country's language, and u will perhaps respect that untry, rather than invade it; timpose your language on it, d you invade without even ticing.

The cost and inconvenience appalling. However, almost

's appalling. However, almost alternatives would favour o or more of the big four rench English, German, Itan) at the expense of the other n) at the expense of the other iguages. (An exception is a sgestion that all speak ench or English, justice ing ensured by making the ench speak English and the glish speak French.) The mission was therefore mmission was therefore ced to seek more acceptable ys of mitigating the difficulty d have been investigating actical aids, including chine translation.

Machine translation (MT) is a torious area. The Russian for e demand peace" was once nslated "we require world". An adverse government report in 1966 almost killed United States research into fully automatic high-quality translation. Yet pockets of research persisted, usually on tiny budgets, kept alive by the need for scientific and technical information, Quebec's demand for French translations, or the translation of Mormon texts into hundreds of languages.

One of the resulting systems,

One of the resulting systems, Systran, was bought by the European Commission in 1976. Alone of Systran's customers,

Alone of Systran's customers, the Commission does development work on the system, which has therefore much improved.

In 1977, however, the European Commission decided to use the MT skill in European universities (Grenoble, Saarbrücken, Essex, Pisa and others) in an advanced project, now known as Eurotra.

Some 60 academics from

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Some 60 academics from eight EEC countries have been working on Eurotra since 1978. Inside the Commission, Serge Perschke is head of MT; outside, in neutral Geneva, Maggie King coordinates. The group has made some progress on very limited funds, and if the f6m budget is approved soon, hopes to have a pilot scheme ready in 1983 and a full-scale prototype in 1986. The pilot is to translate Commission texts of 10,000 words between a limited number of languages in one subject area. Later Eurotra. one subject area. Later Eurotra, like Systran, should be available on the Euronet-Diane information network and to EEC government bodies and univer-

The basic strategy of Eurotra is to have a transfer module for each language pair, but only one input (analysis) and output (synthesis) module for each language (to be plugged into the transfer module required). Work to date has concentrated on serveing structures for the on agreeing structures for the interfaces between the modules.

Systran, though not good by human standards, is operational and improving. Why, then, is Eurotra wanted? Maggie King recently gave the following reasons: Systran is not good reasons: systran is not good enough, and may never be: its static and dynamic parts — data and the actions performed on it — are inextricable, faults are hard to locate and to eliminate without unfortunate side effects.

fects. Eurotra, by contrast, will be modular, that is broken up into well-defined sections, each one with its task clearly known. Essier to de-bug, it should also allow new modules (for EEC languages now undreamt of) to be "plugged in" quite easily.

Each Systran system trans-lates only from one source language to one target language, so that the EEC's present 42 language pairs demand a number of these oneto-one Systrans, but only one many-to-many Eurotra.

projected system will be more readily portable from computer to computer. It will incorporate the advances of the decade since Systran appeared. Better still, its greater modularity will enable it to absorb the results of future research, and this, the Commission believes, will in rurn stimulate such research and help Europe to retain a lead

in this.

Competition is keen, particu-Competition is keen, particularly in Asia, the Soviet Union and North America. And not all research is done on the systems listed in the tables. There is much other investment in MT and related subjects (linguistics, artificial intelligence and computing). It is probably significant that Japan, which is now working very hard on now working very hard on information technology, is

ten translators' jobs", a scientific weekly wrote last year — of a system which promptly collapsed. Those of us who get to grips with the computer soon see that good translators have little to fear. Machine translation, such as Eurotra in due course, will supply fast cheap translations, often to people who would otherwise have no translations at all. By eliminating deudgery and routine is ing drudgery and routine, it would free translators to do the

difficult, interesting which they alone can do. Veronica Lawson translator and consultant, London

Machine translation systems

These or their translations are commercially available. **GEORGETOWN (US)** First MT (Washington DC 1954). The 1969 version used

still by Atomic Energy commission and till 1976 by Euratom in Ispra, Italy. SYSTRAN (US) SYSTRAN (US)
Developed after Georgetown
for big IBM 360/70 computer. Relative linguistic
advancement. Bases in
North and South America,
Munich, Japan. \$10,000 a
month to lease.

LOGOS (US) Promising. Unfortunately began on Vietnamese and Farsi. Now French, working on German.

CULT (Hongkong) Machine-translates China's maths journals and sells the

VINITI/VCN - THD (Soviet Translates patents. One of various systems in Soviet Union.

printout to libraries world

WEIDNER (US)
Marketed as aid for trans-lators. For sale (from £80,000), lease or rent in North America, Europe and Japan. Just gone public. ALPS (US)

New commercial offshoot of Brigham Young University's MT. Some similarity to Weidner, but with preediting of text.

TITUS (France) Abstracts drafted in limited syntax are translated into several languages simul-taneously. Developed by Institut Textile de France, used by various countries. METEO (Canada)
Translates 85% of sentences
in weather forecasts.

Who has them

Present Systran and Weidner installations, including some still experimental but excluding those undergoing preliminary

LUXEMBOURG European Commission (see Informalux (new bureau service, also for Belgium)

GERMANY BOTS (translation agency,

UNITED STATES agencies Government (Army, Air Force)

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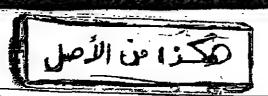
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MR HAIG SHOULD SOLDIER ON

Attempts on the life of the President of the United States are, tragically, something that both Americans and the rest of the world have to learn to expect. The attempt on President Reagan has shown that the American government system, despite the occasional slip-up, can handle immediate inevitable crisis-that of authority. But it has also shown another side of Washington's political life, the neverending struggle for influence and the in-fighting to which it leads. In the aftermath of last week's shooting, the emphasis has been much less on the way in which continuity was achieved during a few tense hours on Monday afternoon than on the behaviour of Mr Haig, the Secretary of State. Mr Haig has been sharply criticized for his state-ment on television that he was in control at the White House pending the return from Texas of Vice-President Bush; and for the fact that at a time when he was ostensibly trying to provide reassurance, he was himself under obvious nervous strain.

There is no question that Mr Haig is an inordinately ambitious nan who may well have presidenial aspirations himself-he is seen as "a man on horseback". it is also true that by saying that is was in control be could have

appeared to be encroaching on the territory of Mr Weinberger, the Secretary of Defence. When it comes to the armed forces, the line of command in an emergency goes from the President to the Vice-President, and from the Vice-President to the Secretary of Defence. But Mr Haig was in fact in charge of the situation room in the White House for a time, until Mr Bush arrived, and the subsequent outcry apparently had more to do with attempts to cut Mr Haig down to size than with any very serious impropriety on his part. He did have differences with Mr Weinberger. But coming as it did after the recent row over 'who should be chairman of the crisis management committee appointed by Mr Reagan, the incident has made him appear to be hungry for power.

Such things are important in Washington, and Mr Haig should have been aware of that. After a time when he appeared to be carrying all before him, and to be achieving a position in which he could have a more or less free hand in foreign policy, he has now had two serious setbacks. He has in fact overreached himself in some ways and political opponents on the right of the American spectrum, who backed Mr Reagan for the presi-

dency but find Mr Haig altogether too moderate for their taste, have notably seized the opportunity. It is not too late for Mr Haig to recover, He is a forceful in-fighter himself. But for a time, at least, he is going to find it that much harder to put his own stamp on foreign

There is, however, no reason

for him to resign, and it is to be hoped that he will not. He has considerable backing in Congress and in American public opinion generally. After the row over the crisis management committee Mr Reagan publicly expressed his continued support. In an Administration where there are strong voices for a simplistic and idenlogical view of foreign affairs, his is one of the few in favour of a more pragmatic and realistic approach, in the Middle East and elsewhere. He has, after all, spent some time in Europe where he was the Supreme Allied Commander, and has a good grasp of European attitudes. He should not be faulted for believing, that Monday afternoon, that people should be reassured about what was happening. It is to be hoped that his authority will be intact as he travels in the Middle East. A strong but sensitive American policy is more important than a few ruffled feathers in Washington.

THE STRAINS OF YUGOSLAVIA WITHOUT TITO

The declaration of a state of emergency in the autonomous region of Kosovo has brought Yuglosavia face to face with the strains of the post-Tito era. It is nearly a year since Marshal Tito fied, leaving the country bereft of the kind of strong leadership which centred on his personality or over thirty years. Yugoslavia s made up of six national epublics and two autonomous egions, and Tito alone-in his ifetime was able to impose a road national identity on these lisparate cultures.

Kosovo embodies the contralictions of Yugoslav society. nhabited by Albanians, it is part if the Republic of Serbia, but ias the status of an autonomous egion. This arrangement worked vell enough under Tito, with ccasional hiccups. But in the last year cracks have begun to ippear. Serious unrest broke out ast month among Albanian tudents in Pristina, the capital f the Kosovo region, and there ere further disturbances in ther towns, with loss of life. farrial law is still in force broughour Kosovo, with the ugoslay Army in control of ublic buildings. The streets of risting are apparently calm, but se authorities have called for vigilance" in case rioting reaks out again.

The system of collective adership evolved by Tito to sure continuity and stability until now held up remarkly well. Power is rotated both thin the Communist Party and ithin the State Presidency. The rmy is still a unifying force, itting across national and

regional boundaries, and focusing attention on the need for a federal consensus in the interests of national defence. But Kosovo is not the only

source of latent tension. There have been sporadic tests of strength between the central authorities and nationalists in Croatia. Croatia is the second largest republic in the federation (after Serbia), and has an influential Catholic establishment. Archbishop Franjo Kuharic of Zagreb recently attacked the Government for suppressing a petition requesting an amnesty for Croatian political prisoners. A leading Croatian nationalist, Mr Franjo Tudjman, was given a three year prison sentence in February for "hostile propaganda against the state".

The Yugoslav leadership also faces severe economic problems. Inflation is running at an annual rate of over 30 per cent, with worse predicted. Coupled with a fall in real wages, this has led to vocal grumblings of discontent. Yugoslavia's economic planners were praised by the OECD last year for their efforts to maintain a high growth rate while fighting to keep inflation down and improve the balance of payments. The fact remains that the man in the street is feeling the pinch, and some Yugoslav economists privately warn that inflation could reach 80 or even 90 per cent by the end of this vear.

The crucial test for Tito's successors could arise at the point where these nationalist ambitions and economic strains coincide. To some extent they

balance. Census-taking would

rapidly lose credit if it became

apparent that information about

identifiable individuals was not

efficiently protected, or that the

questions were not all relevant to

some central matter of social

policy. There is no visible cause

for doubt about security, and there were, if anything, too few

questions rather than too many.

Even in these days of sample

polls and General Household

Surveys the comprehensive data gathered on a consistent basis in

successive censuses is an essen-

already do. Under Yugoslavia's federal system, the richer republics are obliged to give aid to the poorer areas, and this can-and does-give rise to feelings of resentment. Kosovo is one of the poorer regions of Yugoslavia, and has received large injections of cash from more prosperous parts of the country. The allegation that these funds have been misused or frittered away is partly justified, partly not, but has in any case fuelled the kind of internal feuding President Tito sought to avoid.

The one factor which has always held Yugoslavia together in the past is the sure knowledge that any signs of internal weakness will be exploited by the Soviet Union. The current crisis over Soviet intentions toward Poland will certainly have the effect of stiffening Yugoslav resolve, and will strengthen the tendency to pull together in the face of a common threat. On the other hand, Yugoslav leaders are unwilling to be seen to endorse the Polish experiment of free trade unionism within a Communist framework. Liberal though the Yugoslav framework already is, Communist rulers anywhere find it difficult to adapt to anything which appears to challenge their monopoly of power within the one party state. The fact that Yugoslavia, like Poland, has a strong Catholic Church is clearly an added cause for concern in Belgrade. Tito's heirs ca nbe expected to continue to place emphasis on the Soviet threat while at the same time trying to contain any Yugoslav desire to emulate the Polish

and the Commission for Racial

Equality and other organizations

working in the field agree that

the information would have been

useful. In the United States,

where the rights of the indi-

vidual in respect of firearms are

so jealously protected, the householder is required (if he

VHEN DID YOU LAST SEE YOUR FATHER?

t did we all spot the extra estions hidden behind those ceptive demi-pages which did t reach the top? It will nor cessarily mean a £50 fine if we ssed them, because the igilator-the enumerator, that -will check the replies as she lects them, and ask us to fill 7 gaps. The census-takers are eful not to court the public picion and hostility which ennially threatens to frustrate ir work. They can probably relatively satisfied with the v the 1981 census has passed unless some unsuspected ell of dumb insolence reveals when the returns are

The 1971 census was a far re contentious affair. The neral Party and some spokes-n for racial minorities made a at to-do about privacy and the sibility that confidential ormation might be passed to police or the Inland Revenue. imony is normal: even the imissioners compiling the nesday Book met with great ular resentment on their els-and it took more than tile geese to deter enumerain those days. The British ng both governable and apt grumble, we have acquiesced the decennial chore for 180 rs, but always so grudgingly to discourage the inquisitors n lengthening the tally of stions unduly. hat strikes roughly the right

tial foundation for much official planning and grant-distributing. Evidence scooped up from a voluntary sample can reveal much, but the basic facts have to be established with more precision. For those householders who sat down for a cosy evening of self-revelation, the census must even have appeared dis-appointingly curt, with an obsessive interest in flush toilets and professional diplomas leaving little scope for the delinea-tion of a personal life-style. A few questions asked ten years ago were omitted this time, and the much-debated question about

is among the one in five who receive the full-length census form) to give up a startling quantity of information about income, rent, and ethnic origin. Hispanic householders are asked questions which would certainly be of interest to border police patrolling the Rio Grande on the lookout for wetbacks, if they had access to them. But in general our own catechisers are well advised to keep things short. Natural

curiosity provides a quite strong enough impetus to the asking of many questions, and once the habit is acquired, it is not easily lost. The first Book of Chronicles recounts how King David conducted a census, at a time when a graver view was taken of such matters than today, and how a pestilence was visited on Israel to punish him. The king and his inner cabinet donned sackcloth to a man, and by energetic displays of contrition and diplomacy persuaded God to stay his hand. The chronicler records that as a result of the pestilence there fell of Israel 70,000 men. Someone, evidently, was still

bania and its gold n Mr Anton Logoreci

nia's gold held in this country d Bristol writes (April 1) that g Leka had never abdicated and "left the country voluntarily revent the certain possibility of revolutionaries". In fact, he hardly in a position airban ig executed or incarcerated of possible dire consequences iming from the revolutionaries. poor boy was only three days when his parents—King Zog and en Geraldine-escaped with him reece on April 7, 1939, when the an fascist army marched into ania. And it was only after King

Discussing the complex issue of

Zog died in France in April, 1961, that his only son proclaimed him-self king. Lord Bristol's contention that King Leka heads a legal Albanian

ethnic origin was not posed. In

the latter omission, the investi-gators were unduly timid. The

sample test that they did in

Haringey did not show that such a question was widely unaccept-

able among racial minorities,

published evidence from

government in exile and that the communist government in Albania itself is a "rebel" government is equally fanciful. No such government in exile exists, ie none that is recognized by anybody. And it seems quite pointless to say that the Albanian communist government is rebel one, given the fact that if has been in power for over 36 years, is a member of the United Nations, and is recognized by a

large number of other countries. What would be more to the point would be to define the actual character of the regime. It is in fact a

self-proclaimed Stalinist regime: the only communist regime in Europe which still reveres Stalin and all that he stood for, and also behaves accordingly.

Lastly, Lord Bristol says there are more Albanian refugees living

abroad than there are Albanians in the country itself. This is also untrue. The present population of Albania is 2,570,000, whereas the number of post war refugees runs into a few thousand.

His Lordship could have hardly packed more howlers into a single letter if he bad wied. Yours sincerely. ANTON LOGORECI, 18 Disraeli Gardens, Fawe Park Road, SW15.

they [the past economic advisers] have done ". Government policy, it appears, cannot possibly lose. Inflation down—our success. Output down, unemployment galloping,

industry near collape-their failure.

The point has been made—I think with some justice—that it is wrong to criticize government policy when the critics themselves disagree on what would be the best alternative.

But the best, on which views might well differ, need not be made the enemy of the agreed good. Napoleon would have been ill-advised to con-

tinue his Russian campaign just because of disagreement on the best

believe, agreement among the critics on the immediate need for a less deflationary policy. There is a com-

mon understanding of the need to

change the enormous restrictive pressure now exerted through monetary and fiscal policy on real output and employment. This is not, of course, enough. Serious pursuit

of long-run improvement of British

economic performance will require,

in the judgment of many of us, sub-

stantial changes in economic organization and industrial relations. But

we cannot begin to rise to the task until the single-minded concentra-

tion on monetary magic is rejected.

after inflation has been brought to a

full stop can the market be expected

to guide workers to jobs which can be maintained without accelerating

inflation". There is no empirical evidence in favour of this proposi-

tion. Indeed, inflation has come to "a full stop" hardly in any modern economy, and despite that many of

them have enjoyed sustained in-

creases in employment and output

without accelerating inflation. What

wizardry of deflationary cure, and

is needed is less reliance on the

more deliberation and efforts directed towards purposeful insti-

Professor Havek refers to "a panicky mob". The scale of the eco-

nomic disaster makes panic difficult to avoid, but nevertheless Hayek is right to censure it. On the other

hand, one may perhaps be forgiven for failing to admire the noble vision of unpanicked leaders going

down with the whole vessel—defiant to the last, saluting the flag of a non-existent promised land.

Professor Havek claims that "only

route of withdrawal. There is,

The fight for a currency's health dual standard that this method per-From Lord Cromer mits. If the current policy succeeds, it shows how right it is, and if it does not then—in Hayek's words—it only "reveals the damage that Sir, What a pity that Cambridge could only drum up 364 economists critical of the economic policy of

the present Government. With only one more signatory they would have been in a position to publish an annual almanac complete, no doubt, with a different economic precept for every day of the year: perhaps with a supplement in leap codifying the consensus

The battle against inflation, like all battles, is most unpleasant, and sadly not without casualties. The cancer of inflation has gone deeply in the system; just how deep has only been discovered since the Gov-ernment seriously started to attack

in It is self-perpetuating and increasingly debilitating.

The mandate of the Prime Minister and her colleagues, with a remarkable plurality of votes, was to rid the country of this sickness and the Covernment has acted and the Government has acted boldly in the attempt to restore health to the nation in so far as an honest currency is vital to a peaceable, prosperous and equitable

To believe in the need for integ-rity of the currency does not make a "monetarist": Lord Kevnes had some pungent words on the consequence of debauch of the currency. We in our time have seen enough to recognize how right he was in this respect.

Those, therefore, who seek to sub-vert or frustrate the Government's efforts, either through academic pique at the failure of the "con-ventional wisdom" of recent years to maintain a stable pound at home, or through faltering courage, assume a heavy responsibility to put forward a credible alternative.

Can the motley of 364 do this? I have the honour to remain, Sir,

CROMER, House of Lords, April 4.

From Professor Amartya Sen, FBA Sir, In describing the signatories to the recent statement against the Government's economic policy as "the lost generation of British economists who had succumbed to the teaching of Lord Keynes" (April 1) Professor Hayek is neither fair nor accurate. The criticism came from many quarters and not just

from many quarters and not just from Kevnesians—lost or not. The defence of government policy increasingly seems to involve chastising the past economic advisers, I am not one, but I have to confess being impressed by the

Sir, I very much welcomed Geoffrey Smith's article, "What makes a Labour moderate stay on?" (March 27). Nevertheless, in my view, he failed to lay enough stress on the

most important aspiration of the Labour Solidarity Campaign, and one which relates very closely to the

electorate, this being the aspiration

to remind Labour supporters that the party for which they have been

voting in successive elections as the one representing their convic-

disappeared, nor have those sup-porters been abandoned by it.

If, as Geoffrey Smith states when describing certain Labour members of Parliament, Labour moderates are saving that "the Labour Party can

still be a serviceable vehicle for people of their persuasion", then, equally, should that party still re-tain the confidence and trust of

supporters of the same persuasion? In spite of conflicts within it and

defections from its ranks it never-theless remains a party able to represent men and women with

views based on realism and tol-

Sir, As someone who left the Labour Party two years ago after 20 years of active membership and 10 years as a Labour councillor, I would no

doubt have been expected to have been one of the first to join the Social Democratic Party by now, but I have not done so as yet

because I have been waiting to see what its policy will be on Issues that are critical to me, and, I

From what it has declared on Nato and Europe, I trust and believe the SDP. On creating a

mixed economy in which the private sector can survive (industry, com-

merre, health, education, etc), I am prepared to give it, temporarily, the benefit of the doubt.

Yours faithfully, JANE EWART-BIGGS.

31 Radnor Walk, SW3.

From Mr Leon Marks

The soul of Labour

From Mrs Jane Ewart-Biggs

Yours faithfully, AMARTYA SEN, All Souls College, Oxford. But on the issue of the trade unions, so many of us do require nothing less than an open and houest declaration of intent by the SDP to reduce their powers and so-called "rights" by effective means. By outright opposition to the closed shop, support of "contracting in" provisions for the political levy, and effective restraints or intimidatory picketing (primary or secondary); by sensible limitations on the right to strike (surely long overdue— since it represents of course the ugly language of force with or without violence, brought to bear on vital and not so vital industries alike and far too much romanticized to the reality of the latter half of the twentieth century), and rebuttal of national blackmail generally.

of their other policies has a real chance of working. The advent of the SDP will produce no lasting benefit to the nation and only further political disillusion. I have no doubt that there is a broad national consensus (although course no unanimity) in favour of all the above and other measures, but they can only be achieved politically by the SDP harnessing and activating this consensus by allying itself if only on this subject with at least one other major political party (which until now, for understandable but sad reasons, has proceeded very hesitantly in this

Without such determination, not one

An SDP that, for all its fine words, represents just another political parts to appease and ingratiate isself with the trade unions would be nauseating. We already have two such parties, one large, one small. We emphatically do not need a third

Yes, it will require courage, but there is no honourable alternative. This will be the Social Democratic Party's greatest non-socialist test. Roy, David, Bill and Shirley: we wairing for your statement on this issue. Yours faithfully,

LEON MARKS 79 Deacons Hill Road, Elstree, Hertfordshire.

Vice-chancellorship From Lord Scarman

suggest, millions of others.

Sir, I write in protest at the publication by The Times of two pieces (March 20 and April 1) by your Education Correspondent dealing with the work now in progress to find a successor to Lord Annan as Vice Chancellor, of the University Vice-Chancellor of the University of London.

The two pieces have done damage to the true interests of a great uni-versity, and have caused embarrassversity, and have caused embarrassment, even distress, to individuals. I wish through your columns, to applogize to Sir Alec. Merrison, Sir Rex Richards, Professor Quirk and Lord Flowers for the breach of confidence (by whomsoever caused) which has made them the victims of a publicity which satisfies no interest save that of the gossip.

As I have made clear in and out of season, I believe that the law should recognize and protect the right of the journalist to conceal, in all but very exceptional circumstances, the sources of his information. I ask therefore, no questions. But I would remind you, Sir. and your correspondent that the liberties of the press must be used respectively. ponsibly and with a proper respect for the interests of others. You were within your rights in publish-ing the "leaked" information even though, as is common with leaks, it was neither complete nor wholly accurate.

But you have done the cause of press freedom, which we must continue to uphold, no good at all. Yours faithfully, SCARMAN, House of Lords. April 3.

Poland's food crisis From Mr Jan Rostowski

Sir, In your report on Poland (March 30) you report that "The country has food for less than 12 days. . . " There is no evidence whatever for such a view, except for statements by the Polish authorities. It is clearly useful to the Polish authorities that this should be believed, firstly, as a way of exercing pressure on Solidarity to call off the general strike, and secondly, as a justification for the use of force, should force be used, as having been necessary to ensure the physical survival of the nation.

Moreover, it has not been made clear just what is meant by the

country having food for less than 12 days. Does it mean that food will run out in 12 days unless more is imported, or does it rather represent the amount of reserves readily available for distribution? In either case it must be remembered that Solidarity has always been ready to keep essential services functioning during strikes. During the four-hour warning strike last Friday the food industry and food shops were not called out.

The possibility that the Polish

authorities themselves do not really consider the food situation as critical is indicated by their failure to provide Solidarity with detailed information on this matter, in spite of the fact that Solidarity asked for

JPs' choice in Civil Service strike

From Mr A. J. Brayshaw Sir, The undertaking that is sworn or solemnly affirmed by all magis-trates is that "I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth the Second in the office of justice of the peace, and I will do right to all manuer of people after the laws and usages of the realm without fear or favour, affection or ill-will ".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No one is obliged to undertake this obligation but if he does then he must in conscience fulfil it. To serve in the office of justice means doing justice in the Queen's courts. If any JP refuses to do justice according to law through fear or favour of any pressure group of any kind he fails to honour his undertaking and unfits himself for his office.

In a conflict of loyalties justice must be above politics, not politics above justice; else is there no iustice. Yours sincerely A. J. BRAYSHAW, Apple Trees,

Beech Road.

Haslemere, Surrey. April 3. From Miss Letty L. Lewenz Sir, "Fiat justitia, ruat caelum". One would not wish Mr Stephen Bubb (April 3) or anyone else to

act against conscience; but a magistrate should examine his or her conscience very carefully April 3.

indeed before deciding that it required breach of the magisterial required breach of the magisterial oath. Or do Mr Bubb and those who share his views consider that the oath should be amended by the addition of some such clause as "save in the event of industrial action in furtherance of a pay claim"?

This letter seems to bring out very clearly indeed the need for some hard thinking about ultimate and overriding loyalties not by magistrates but by us all. Yours faithfully, LETTY LEWENZ,

Orchard House. 40 Jessop's Lane. Gedling, Nortingham. April 4.

From Mrs O, C, Paynton Sir, If Mr Bubb (April 3) feels his personal convictions prevent him from doing his duty as a JP he should resign, and for that I would respect him, because the oath he took to "do right by all manner of people" means not only to trade

unionists—but others.

If a court sits and the public are there to get justice they have a right to it. If Mr Bubb feels his deeply held political convictions would not permit him to do so, he should not be a JP. Yours sincerely. OLIVE PAYNTON. 6 Eldon Grove, NW3.

Appointment of bishops From the Reverend Basil Watson

Sir, When your correspondent, Canon Paul Oestreicher (April 2), has frightened Synod into opting to become a minority sect it will surely be time enough for church-goers to vote themselves the bishows they desire and deserve. While the Church of England, however, remains what its designation still implies it must be the clear dury mains what its designation still implies it must be the clear duty of the politicians, as they seem to have done so successfully in the I ondon appointment, to safeguard the non-ecclesiastically minded majority of Christians.

In its present form the Church of England is still too important an institution for the appointment of its bishops to be left in the bands of its deans and chapters. Yours faithfully, BASIL WATSON, St Lawrence Jewry, Next Guildhall, EC2.

April 4. From Bishop Mervyn Stockwood Sir. Your attempt, in your leading article (April 4), to sweep the London mitre under the Downing Street carpet is unlikely to escape the experienced eyes of Mother Church I I have three comments: 1. When I was appointed to the see of Southwark, on the advice of Mr Harold Macmillan, I had a courteous letter from a member of the cathedral chapter informing me that he had voted against me, not for personal reasons, but on principle. He believed that the state should not determine the choice of his future father-in-God. A number of my contemporaries received similar protests. I think that most of us had much sympathy with this viewpoint. In fact I wanted to ask for a vote of confidence from the

diocese, but I was told that such a procedure was incomparible with the prerogatives of the Crown. It was in order to overcome these difficulties of conscience that the Church, after years of discussion. worked out a formula with the

As one who values the Establish ment. I hoped that those who thought that the only solution was to be found in disestablishment would now be satisfied.

What has recently happened may well bring us back to square one. Indeed the position is a little worse Formerly we knew we had no alternative but to accent the advice of the Prime Minister: today we imagined we were masters and stewards within our

own bousehold. 2. I accept the fact that the Prime Minister has observed the letter of the law, even though she has offended against the spirit. But in so doing she could place the Dean and Chapter of St Paul's in an embarrassing situation. They will meet to elect the new Bishop of London. Before they vote they will invoke the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It does not necessarily fol-low that the advice given from on high will correspond with the decision that has been made in

Whitehall,
3. If Dr Leonard allows his name to go forward for election and he fails, the result for him would be as wounding as it would be sad. Moreover, even if he is elected. should have thought that he would often be haunted by the realization that he was wearing a mitre that the Church willed to be on the head of one of his colleagues. *MERVYN STOCKWOOD,

15 Sydney Buildings, Bath, parochial church councils of the

From Mrs Jane Irwin

George Eliot, feminist

Sir, Jill Craigie (or Mrs Michael

Foot) has written a cogent letter (April 1) about the Equal Opportun-

ities Commission, but I regret that she begins by linking George Eliot with the Dulwich "blacklegs".

George Eliot never wrote a letter to The Times declaring that she had

not suffered from unequal oppor-tunities for women in education and

employment. Her own success in a man's world did not make her com-

placent about opportunities for others. On the contrary, she supported the efforts of friends who were actively engaged in the feminist cause: publishing The English

Woman's Journal, founding the Society for Promoting the Employ-

ment of Women, investigating work-house schools for girls, and founding

Girton College. She contributed fin-ancially to Girton College (and Newnham College received several substantial gifts from her widower),

but her preferred method of pro-moting higher education for women

was giving individual financial assis-

tance to needy women students.
We should recognize that her personal circumstances made some

public activities difficult. She could not sign any petition as "Mrs

not sign any petition as "Mrs George Henry Lewes" while that name belonged legally to another woman who was alive and thriving on an income supplied in part from

George Eliot's earnings as a novelist.

Avon. April 4.

Young offenders

From Mr B. Beaumont Sir, The National Association of Probation Officers (Napo) was shocked by Mr Mayhew's revelation (report, March 24) that the tougher detention centre regimes operated at Send and New Hall are to be extended to two other centres (Foston Hall and Haslar). We had received no prior norification of this change and, so far as we have been able to ascertain, the decision was taken without any consultation with bodies, such as Napo, with first-hand experience of working with

offenders. When the tougher regimes were when the tougher regimes were introduced last April our association was sceptical about the value of these changes and indeed questioned whether it was really possible to toughen up the existing harsh and disciplinarian regimes. We were, however, assured that the Govern-ment regarded the two centres as an "experiment" and that the new regimes would be carefully monitored to see if they were any more successful than the conventional

In making his announcement Mr Mayhew apparently conceded that the results of monitoring would not be available until 1983 and yet the Government has now decided to extend its experiment without awaitthe inconvenience of those results.

Viewers of the television coverage of the announcement were shown the square-bashing, pointless parades and hard labour central to the "new" regime. They could be forgiven for concluding that there was nothing new in these develop-ments and that this return to the bankrupt solution of authori-tarianism is a policy of despair. Surely the people of this country will be prepared to support more imaginative and positive approaches to the problems posed by young offenders? Yours faithfully,

B. BEAUMONT, Vice-Chairman, National Association of Probation Officers, Ambassador House, Brigstock Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

such information as long ago as September in connexion with the meat rationing scheme proposed by the authorities. This failure to divulge the necessary information to Solidarity has meant that Solida-rity has not been able to approve the meat rationing scheme. Such

e meat rationing scheme. Such

approval was presumably in the authorities interest, so failure to

divulge the information necessary to obtain it is surprising. This secrecy is even more surprising

now, when the food situation is claimed to be so desperate. Yours faithfully, JAN ROSTOWSKI,

Information Centre for Polish

115 Redston Road, N8.

George Ellot's earnings as a novelist. Her best energies were devoted to writing, of course. We may well wish that she had supported women's suffrage; but she had doubts about giving women the right to vote in drunken and disorderly polls like that described in Felix Holt.

Her views about extending the franchise were conservative. But she does not deserve to be rarred with does not deserve to be tarred with the same brush as those "blacklegs" who band together to protest the extension to other women of oppor-tunities that they have been lucky enough to seize for themselves. Yours faithfully, JANE IRWIN. 97 Girton Road, Cambridge. Out for the count From Mrs J. V. Crouch-Smith

April 2.

Sir. How threatening official language can appear! A Spanish member of our domestic staff was recently expressing what seemed to me to be inordinate anxiety about completing her census form. Eventually the reason became clear. She had interpreted "form for making an individual return as form for making an individual return to her own country ". Yours faithfully, JEAN CROUCH-SMITH. Headmistress, Tormead School, Guildford, Surrey.



COURT CIRCULAR

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE April 6: The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the London Philharmonic Orchestra, accompanied by the Duchess of Kent, this evening attended a Charity Concert in aid of the William Pitts Memorial

of the William Pitts Memorial Fund, which was held at the Town Hall, Leeds,
Their Royal Highnesses, who travelled in an alrcraft of The Queen's Flight, were attended by Captain Mark Bullough and Miss Carola Godman Irvine.

Prince Michael of Kent will visit the Motor Industry Research Asso-ciation at Nuneaton, Warwickshire,

The Duke of Kent will take the salute at the TAVR Parade a County Hall, London, on April 11

Forthcoming

The Hon B. A. Foot and Miss S. J. Rudkin

Mr N. R. D. Abbott

Mr S. C. D. Baynham and Miss J. Holgate

Mr P. A. Fraser and Miss A. H. Gibbon

Mr C. J. P. Gratwicke and Miss J. V. Meyer

Mr N. Waters

and Miss C. Peters

The engagement is announced be-

toe engagement is announced between Benjamin, youngest son of Lord and Lady Caradon, of Saint Cleer, Cornwall, and Sally, only daughter of Mrs F. H. Rudkin, of Shoreham-by-Sca, Sussex, and the late Major M. F. S. Rudkin, MC.

The engagement is announced be-tween Neil Richard Donald, only son of Major and Mrs D. Abbott, of Pinner, Middlesex, and Denise Adrienne, elder daughter of Mrs

J. P. Bailey, of Hastings, Sussex.

and Miss J. Polgate
The engagement is aunounced between Lieutenant Simon Baynham,
DERR. elder son of Lieutenantloionei and Mrs B. C. Baynham,
of Whitchurch, Hampshire, and
Janet, elder daughter of Mr and
Mrs Brian Holgate, of Morecambe,
Lancables

and Miss A. H. Gibbon
The engagement is announced between Anselm, son of Mr and Mrs A. H. Fraser, of Monlack Castle, Kirkbill, Invercess, and Antonia, daughter of Lleutenant-Col and Mrs T. H. Gibbon of The Field House, Sutton, West Sussex.

and Miss J. V. Meyer

The engagement is announced between Charles James Philip, son of Major P. M. Gratwicke and the late Mrs Gratwicke, of Bognor Regis, Sussex, and Jane Vivian, daughte: of the late Mr P. V. Meyer and Mrs Meyer, of Forest Hill, London.

The engagement is announced between Nigel, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Waters, of Atherton, Manchester, and Clare, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Peters, of 60 Scotts Lane, Bromley, Kent.

Marriages

Major E. R. W. Robinson and Mrs P. C. Rudd

The marriage took place quietly in

Cirencester on April 4 between Major Edwin Robinson, of Moor Wood, and Mrs Primrose Rudd, of West Street, Harwich, A service of blessing was held afterwards at

St Margaret's, Bagendon. The Rev W. H. Woodbouse officiated.

The marriage took place on April 3, 1981, between Mr Luis C. Dominguez and Mrs Patricia Morgan-Jones.

The marriage took place in Hamp-shire on April 5, 1981, between Mr David Marshall Warmington and Mrs Eileen Verdin (nee Johnston), both now of Mexico

and Miss M. P. Howard
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 4, 1981, at the Church
of St Bartholomew-the-Less, Smithfield Gate, London, between Mr
David Fraser Badeaoch, youngest
son of Mr and Mrs Alec Badeaoch,
and Miss Michèle Patricia Howard,
younger daughter of Dr Patricia
Thomas.

A reception was held at the

Thomas.

A reception was held at the Great Hall of the Royal Hospital of St Bartholomew and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

The marriage took place on Saturday, March 28, in Trinity Road Chapel, SW13, between Mr Andrew Prichard, elder son of Professor and Mrs B. N. C. Prichard, and Miss Helen Tucker, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roy Tucker.

at which Mr Cornelius Boza Edwards and Mr Daley Thompson were the guests of bonour, Rear-Admiral Sir Anthony Miers, VC, was in the chair, and the other speakers were Mr Walter Bardeman, Mr Ron Pickering, Mr Mike Spencer and Mr Kenneth Wolstenholme, secretary of the club.

The Archbishop of Capterbury was the guest of honour at the annual

dinner of the Saints and Sinners Club of London, held at the Savoy Hotel last might. Dr Runcle was received by Mr Graham Dowson

received by Mr Granam bowson chairman, and Mr Percy Hoskins, president. The other speakers were Judge Miskin, QC, and Mr Julian Tennant, who was elected chairman for the forthcoming

The Bakers' Company
The Bakers' Company held a court
meeting at Bakers' Hall yesterday. At a dinner held afterwards
the Master. Sir Charles Taylor,
presided, assisted by the Wardens.
Lord Hill of Luton was the principal guest and Judge Bruce
Campbell also gooke

Mr A. J. N. Prichard and Miss H. J. Tucker

Mr D. M. Warmington and Mrs E. Verdin

Mr D. F. Badenoch and Miss M. P. Howard

marriages

Lord and Lady Butler of Saffron Walden regret they were unable to attend the service of thanksgiving for the life of the Hon Lady Fox

Mr and Mrs Henry Tiarks very much regret they were unable to attend the service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Edward Holland-Martin on Friday because of absence abroad.

Birthdays today

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Lord Asbburton, 83; Sir Michael
Blundell, 74; Sir Humphrey
Browne, 70; Sir Geoffrey de
Freitas, 68; Professor D. R. Denmau, 70; Sir Harold Emmerson,
85; Mr David Frost, 42; Lord
Glendevon, 69; Vkc-Admiral Sir
Arthur Herlet, 67; Sir Hamish
MacLaren, 83; Sir Ivo Mallet, 81;
Mr Ian Richardson, 47; Lord Ross
of Marnock, 70; Sir Thomas
Holmes Sellors, 79; Sir Geoffrey
Wilson, 71.

Christening

The Infant son of Mr and Mrs John Paravicini was christened John Vincent Rudolph by the Rev Kenneth Batt at St Mary's Church, Preston Candover, on Wednesday. April 1. The godparents are Lord Bruce Dundas, Mr David Chaplin, Mr Charles, Blackwell, Mrs Tresham Gregg and Miss Polly Phillimore.

Thanksgiving service

The Hon Lady Fox
A service of thanksgiving for the
life of the Honourable Lady Fox
and interment took place at St
James's, Croxton, on April 4, 1981.

£10,000 bond winners Winning numbers for £10,000 prizes in the April Premium Savings Bond draw, announced

rags bond braw, announced vesterday are:
7BP 850811 (The winner lives in Lancashire); 4FZ 285380 (Sheffleld); 8XB 939625 (Dumbarronshire), 13XN 947243 (Essex); 4YL 646505 (London Borough of Barnet).

Luncheons

Lieutenancy of Northumberland The Duke of Northumberland was guest of honour at a luncheon vesterday at Gosforth Park given by the Deputy Lieutenants of Northumberland to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of his appointment as HM Lord Lieu-tenant of the county. Colonei Visiley, Vice-Lieutenant, Ridley,

HM Government Mr Peter Blaker, Minister of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon given in honour of the Burmese Minister of Industry, Brigadier-General Tint Swe, at 1 Carlton Gardens.

Dinners

Actuaries' Company
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress, accompanied by the
Shervits and their ladies, attended the annual dinner of the Actuaries' Company held at the Mansion House yesterday. They were

Today's engagements

Museum, 7.00.

Piano perfection

Welmar Pianos

Princess Margaret, president of the Royal Ballet, attends open-ing of four centuries of ballet costume exhibition to celebrate

fiftieth anniversary of the Royal Ballet, Victoria and Albert

The Duke of Gloucester visits
Thames barrier project site,
10.30.

Talks: Zeus and Apollo, Patsy Vanags, 11.30; Fashion and beauty in the classical world, Anne Pearson, 1.15, British Museum; Life by his death, Christ's cross explained, Jonathan Fletcher, St Helen's, Bishopsgate, 12.25 and 1.05;

Looking at our worship, Dr G. Huelin, St Margaret Patens, 1.10: Illustrated talk by Geoffrey Bush about his music.

Welmar

received by the Master, who presided, and Mrs M. H. Oram, the Senior Warden and Mrs H. C. Cottrell and the Junior Warden and Mrs G. H. Ross-Goobey. The Master, the Lord Mayor, Miss Beryl Grey, Mr Derek G. Millard and Mr Leonard G. Hall were the speakers. Others present included: The President of the Faculty of Actuaries of Septiand and Mrs McKinnon, Sir Alexand Lady. Aktissen: Messer of the insta Bollers' Company and Lady Cunnington.

Inham. Master of the Carnen's Company and Mrs Clarkson and Master if the Scientific Instrument Makers' Company, and Mrs Davies. Lady Rowlandson Sir Graham and

Sir Graham and Lady Rowland-son gave a dinner party yester-day at 47 Lowndes Square, Westminster. In honour of the doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, the High Commissioner for Mauritius, and Lady Teelock. Those present included:

The Ambassador of Oman and Mrs Habbs, the Ambassador of Bahrain and Madame Al-Khallis. Lord and Lady Cullen of Ashbourne and Lord and Lady Harri. of High Cross.

Anglo-American Sporting Club
The Anglo-American Sporting
Club held a boxing dinner evening at the Hilton botel yesterday

In The Netherlands, John A., Sankey, National Portrait Gallery, 1; Social realism as a totalitarian art style, Igo Golomstock (in Russian), Pushkin House, Ladbroke Grove, 7.30; A golden age of piano playing, Wiffred van Wyck, British Institute of Recorded Sound, Exhibition Road, 7.30.

British Mosic Information Centre, Stratford Place, 7.30; Music in London 1550-1750, Handel at Vauxhall, Carole Potey, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15; Portraits of the honest spy: British diplomats in The Netherlands, John A. Sankey, National Portrait Callery, 1; Sovial realism as a Story shares memorial prize

The Sailor's Return, the story an English sea captain and his African wife, transmitted by Thames Television last December, shares the 1980 Martin Luther King Memorial Prize with Maurice Nyagumbo's autobiography, With The People.

The annual award goes to literary works published or performed in Britain which are seen to reflect the ideals of Dr King. Mr Nyagumbo, whose book was published last June, was the Zimbabwean nationalist organizer who is now the country's Minister for

University news

FER'S COLLEGE: Honorary fellow-p: The Bishop of Elv. the Hight Rev ter Knight-Walker, DD. ANTONY'S COLLEGE: Professorial lowship, E. A. Roberts, MA.

Exhibitions: Albert Houthuses memorial exhibition of drawings and paintings, South London Art Gallery, Peckham Road, 10 to 6; Paintings by Lorraine Molins and sculpture by John McDonaid, Air Gallery, Roseberry Avenue, 11 to 6.

Glasgow Dr Laiage J. Bown, has been appointed director of adult and continuing education.

Edinburgh Grants of almost £200,000 have been received for a cardiovascular research unit. The British Heart Foundation has given £85,000 and £15,000 a year; the Fritz Thyssen Foundation, Cologne has given 531,500, the Scottish Home and

the aged and chronic sick.

recently widowed women

with grants for teaching

and training young people.

with children.

Health Department nearly £25,000, and Astra Clinical Research more than £20,000.

Honorary degrees will be conferred upon the following on July 9 and 10: DLH: Emerius Professor Frank Bartow. reofessor of history, 1985-76: Jack Clemo. Cornish poet. Emerius Professor Robert Niklaus. professor of French. 1956-75. Robert Niklaus, professor of recom-56-75. ic: Professor P. G. Burke, FRS. pro-stor of mathematical physics, Queen's sucreally of Belfast: Emeritus Profes-r H. N. Rydom, professor of emistry, 1937-77: Professor W. K. arnam, FRS. professor of nure mathe-atics, Imperial College of Science and echnology. resides, imperial Coulege or consense of the country of the country of the country of the country of Power. 1'54-59, R S. J. Hookway, director of Country-side Commission.

25 years ago From The Times of Saturday, April 7, 1956

Lord Attlee honoured Lord Attlee, who resigned the lea-dership of the Labour Party last December, has been appointed a knight of the Garter, An antonucement from Buckingham Palace last night stated: "The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Earl Attlee to be a Knight Commander of the Most Noble Order of the Garter". The order was founded by Edward III about 1348. The Queen is the sovereign of the order and the Carter is in her percent of the Carter Garter is in her personal gift. Sir Winston Churchill and Sir Anthony Eden have become Knights of the Garter, the former in Coronation year, and the latter in 1954. Lord Attlee was granted an carldom when he gave up the leadership of the Parliamentary Labour Party in the bath and cut her neck with ships which he had held for 20 years. a penkmie to let out the blood, Those

and Dr C. M. Jenkins The engagement is announced between William Roderic Cameron, son of Mr and Mrs D. A. Weir, of Tadworth, Surrey, and Christine Margaret, elder daughter of Mr. I. H. Jenkins and Dr Joan Jenkins, of Portsmouth, Hampshire, Reg. Garalding V.

Sale Room Correspondent

And what are you getting all steamed up about?" was the Prince of Wales's quip to press

photographers yesterday when he was shown the Geothermal Park at Tokoroa, in New Zealand.

Sale ROOM Correspondent

The Paris auctioneers, OgerDumont, were taken off their
guard by an influx of foreign
dealers for their sale of Chinese
ceramics on Sunday and prices ran
far beyond their expectations.
Eskenazi, the London dealer, was
the leading purchaser, but there
were also other English, American
and Januese competitors

the leading purchaser, but there were also other English, American and Japanese competitors.

A rail coloured figure of a "fat lady" dating from the Tang dynasty made the top price at 350,000 francs (estimate 80,000 to 120,000 francs) or E31.531. It stands 40cm high, The other top prices were also for Tang dynasty pieces; a green cylindrical pot on tripod feet made 250,000 francs (estimate 100,000 to 150,000 francs) or £22,523, and a blue globular urn brought 210,000 francs) or £22,523, and a blue globular urn brought 210,000 francs) or £18,919. Right down the scale prices ran well beyond estimate.

It proved barder going yesterday, at Christie's in London where fide Continental porcelain was offered. With a total of £217,342, some 22 per cent was left unsold. The chief reason was lack of demand for middle quality German porcelain; two months

ago prices were booming, but dealers are now apparently having difficulty in fluding purchasers.

The star lot in the sale, a pair of Meissen figures of golden orioles, with Louis XV ormolumounts, failed to find a buyer and was left unsold at £17,000 (estimate £15,000 to £18,000). Otherwise prices for items of special quality generally matched expectations.

Winifred Williams paid £11,000 (estimate £8,000 to £12,000) for a festimate £8,000 to £12,000) for a (estimate £8,000 to £12,000) for a large Vincennes baluster potpourrl vase with floral decoration, and £8,000 testimate £4,000 to £5,000) for a Bottger brown stoneware teapor and cover of about 1715, the forerunner of Meissen porcelain.

A Christie's sale at the Brighton

and Hove Engineerium saw a new suction record price paid for a steam engine model at £14,000 (estimate £12,000 to £14,000). It testimate £12,000 to £14,000). It was bought by a private benefactor for pemanent display at the Engineerium, an engineering museum. The price was secured for a half size model steam engine, a Burrell "Devonshire", bufft by the South Dorset Engineering Company of Weymouth.

not a restoration but is a sympa-theric modern extension of the spirit of the present layout. The square of the old forecourt

is being re-established. Box and lime avenues that once led up to it

fountains.
The play of water and the

natural forms of the rocks are designed to embody the spirit of a Graham Sutherland painting

Spectacular garden planned Sir Geoffrey insists the work is

By a Correspondent

A spectacular new garden is being planned at Santon Place, near Guildford, former home of the late Paul Getty, for the present tenant, Mr Stanley Seager, a Texan finan-cier and patron of the arts. Sir Geoffrey Jellicoe, the landscape architect, is the designer. are being replanted.

A triangle of features inspired by twentieth century artists extends into the park, including a lake with a Henry Moore sculpture made for the setting, a sculpture wall belind a pool in the Dutch garden by Ben Nicholson, OM, and a series of pools and fountains.

There is already a mucleus of walled enclosures contemporary with the building and, leading from them, immense stretches of yew planted by Lady Hudson in the early 1900s.

The next stage will be the creation of a veritable pasis of fertility; clear lakes, fountains, shrubs, trees, flowery meadows and sculpture.

By Our Bridge Correspondent

A record entry of 948 bridge players competed last weekend in the British mixed pairs champion-

ship for the Portland Club Cup. There were four centres, at Glasgow, Harrogate, Droitwich

Glasgow. Harrogate, Droitwich and London, where accoring was calculated over the telephone involving 1,800,000 match points. In a close finish J. Holland and Michelle Brunner, from the Northwart for add out the localing

Latest estates include (net, before

Akell, Mr Leslie William, of Circucester, Gloucestershire £160,110

Barwell, Mr George Ralph, of Long Sutton, Lincolushire £132,637

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Latest wills

tax paid):

just edged out the leading

948 compete for bridge cup The winners had already been

Results:

down, Hereford and Worcester £201,340
Plaut, Mr Frederick, of Kilburn, London £218,980
Sedgwick, Mr Eric William, of Frensham, Surrey, Company director 5201,621

chosen as one pair of the team to represent Great Britain in the European Community mixed teams championship at Birmingham this

1. J. Holland, Miss M. Brunner 20.396; 2. H. Mahoney, Mrs M. Reid-Korr 20.381; 5. R. L. Poulter, Mrs M. Balley 20.251; 4. D. Kane, Mrs K. Frew 19.13; 5. Mr and Mrs P. Williams 19.780; 6. C. R. S. McCal-lem, Mrs R. Mariyn 19.771,

Duckett, Mrs Doris, of Harro-

for £203.621
Turner, Mrs Rita Janice Mary, of Firbeck, South Yorkshire £223,042
Wood, Mr Paul, of South Croydon, Surrey, merchant £235,843

OBITUARY

DR ALICE EVANS International work as botanist

Dr Alice Margaret Evans, University Lecturer in Applied Biology at Cambridge, and Fellow and Tutor of Wolfson

College, died on March 26 at the age of 53.

Alice Evans, who came from farming steel. farming stock, was born August 12, 1927, at Penderyn in Breconshire. She graduated and obtained a PhD degree at Aberystwyth, and took further training in land and Syalöf in training in Lund and Svalöf in Sweden. After researching for 14 years at the Welsh Plant Breeding Station, followed by two years lecturing at the University of Reading, she was appointed University Lecturer in Plant Breeding and Genetics in the Department of Applied Biology at Cambridge in 1966.

In Cambridge she developed substantial and successful research programme in the genetics and breeding of genetics and breeding of Phaseolus beans, along three major lines: the collection of cultivars, primitive types and related wild species to establish a gene bank of international importance; a study of the needs of plant breeders in Third World countries and the supply of suitable genetic material to them; and a pro-ject to develop dwarf beans suitable for use in the United

Ki<u>ng</u>dom. Her work for Third World countries was supported by the Overseas Development Administration; she travelled extensively, and played a leading part in the international organization of breeding work on

beaus. She was a member of A.A.S. writes: the International Board for The death Plant Genetic Resources, and Plant Genetic Resources, and of the Coordinating Committee of the Bean Improvement Cooperative. She also fired the imagination of her many research students, some of whom now serve in tropical

countries.

For the United Kingdom, she studied market demand and chose the type suited to canning as baked beans. Superior varieties are now under test,

but she did not live to see them in commercial production. Because of her concern with the relevance of teaching to agriculture she took a leading part in bringing together the resources of the Department of Applied Biology, the Department of Genetics and the Plant Breeding Institute. to mount a one-year course for the MPhil degree.

Alice Evans's quiet and unassuming nature hid a mind that was imaginative and enterprising, and a capacity for work that gained for her the respect and admiration of agricultural botanists in the tropical world as well as in her home country.

She was elected to a Fellow-

ship at Wolfson (then University) College in 1967. She served twice on the college council, and from 1976 she was a tutor. Her contribution to the college was considerable, and she was considerable, and she earned the respect and affection of senior and junior mem-bers alike

THE HON LADY FOX

A.T.M. writes: Lady Fox, whose death at her lovely home, Croxton Park, Huntingdon, has recenly been announced was a woman of many gifts.

Myra was primarily devoted to the English countryside, and to her own area in particular, where her forebears had lived for generations. She rebuilt over the past 25 years a splendid agricultural estate, which was a joy to visit, and a natural source of pride and love to its source of pride and love to its over a wide field of all ages.

entertain her friends from abroad, from this country, and from nearby.

Her abilities were such that she was able at once to administer a successful estate and

At Croxton she delighted to

to be a constant hostess; she also found time to travel extensively over the globe, as well as keeping in touch with ber social, farming and political interests.

Many will recall acts of kind-

Rev E. N. PORTER GOFF

Goff, Provost of Portsmouth from 1939 to 1972, died on April 4 at the age of 78.

The son of John Richards Goff, Canon of Kildare and rector of Portarlington, Ireland, he was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, where he was a scholar and took his BA. He was awarded a senior Modera-torship and a Gold Medal. He was ordained in 1926, and held curacies at Immanuel,

Mr Cyrll Conner, who died on April 4 at the age of 51, was head of Commonwealth and Foreign Relations, BBC, from 1941 to 1960. For a brief period in 1953 he was BBC Controller

for Northern Ireland.

He was deputy chairman of
West Sussex Quarter Sessions
from 1963 to 1971, and chairman of the Rent Assessment
Committee for Surrey and
Sussex 1966-73. Sussex 1966-73.

Mr Leslie Murray, one of the priginal British Movietone original British Newsreel cameramen, died on April 1. He later became editor tor of Universal News and Technical Manager of Visnews Ltd.

Lady Alness, widow of the first and last Baron Alness, PC, GBE, QC, died on March 14 at Bournemouth. She was Olga Marie, daughter of J. G. Grumler, and she married Lord Alness as his second wife in 1921. He died in 1955. She was 83.

Signor Franco Gentilini, the Italian painter, died on April 5 at the age of 71.

Hamdi Kan'au, who was mayor of Nablus on the West Bank of the Jordan, from 1967 to 1969, has died at the age of

The Rev Eric Noel Porter Streatham: Christ Church. Westminster; and St Michael's Chester Square, London, before being appointed vicar of his old parish at Streatham. He held the living from 1933 to 1939 when he went to Portsmouth as Provost. He was for many years a Proctor in Convocation, and from 1948 to 1972 2 Church Commissioner.

He married in 1926 Barbara Denman Hodgson, by whom he had two sons. His wife died in

Major-General Richard Freeman Colwill, CBE, who died on March 14, was Major-General I/c Administration, HQ Central Command, India, 1946-47; and from 1948 to 1961 secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor of Guerasey.

Dr Frank James Fowler, CBE, FRCP, FFCM, who died on April 2 at the age of 69, was Senior Medical Officer, Department of Health and Social Security, 1977-80.

Lady Branson, wife of Colonel Sir Douglas Branson, KBE, CB, DSO, MC, died on March 31. She was Ailie, widow of Brigadier J. M. Fisher, and daughter of Sir William Bell, and she married Sir Douglas Eranson as his second wife in 1961.

The Right Rev Ilarino da Milano, the Italian prelate who was the Leuten Apostolic preacher to four Popes, died on April 6. He was 76.

Da Milano was appointed by Pope John XXIII to be Apostolic preacher during pri-vate Vatican Lenten services attended by the Pope and car-dinals within the Curia, He held doctorates in theology, history, and ecclesiastical history, and taught at various Italian and pontifical universities.

to visit Nigerian troops ser with the West African Divi in Burma. This was a 1 successful mission. Open and eager as he in personal relationships, chief gift was chief gift was a shrewd sensible rightmindedness, By those who served Northern Nigeria he is not I remembered as a remark keen and skilful polo pla At one time he and brothers formed a team w

SIR USUMAN

NAG0G0

The death of Sir Usun Nagogo, Emir of Karsina

removed a most influential :

respected figure from the r lic life of Nigeria. For m

than 50 years he had playe

responsible and progress

role in the affairs of the

His father, the E Muhammadu Dikko, alv moved with the times a

reliable exponent of the

ciples of Lugard's Dual

date, ruling wisely in acc

with the requirements of Colonial Government, and the same time taking care the pace of administrative

of educational progress, never too far ahead of gen

"Nagogo", as he was a tionately known to two ge ations of British cole

servants, was well schooler

affairs during his father's

time, and was a ready sur sor when the lot fell to his

the war years. One of his e

undertakings was to fly to I

acceptance.

Northern Nigeria.

usually was victorious in tournament it entered. In 1956 he took part in exhibition game played in f of the Oueen and the Duk Edinburgh. With his love of game went an exemplary for horses, and he was r influential in securing an African riders a more hun bit than horses had ever kni

Medical care had for been a vital interest Nagogo's family in the prog of the emirate. It is sad inc that in spite of coming to country for treatment in last illness this was of no a His old friends in Britain share with the Emir's far and people their deep sor

MR DOUGLAS LOV

Lord Noel-Baker writes: The death of Douglas Lo wice winner of the gold me in the 800 metres in Olympic Games (Paris 1: Amsterdam 1928), has come severe blow to his m

Lowe was often described "the perfect artist of track" and his superb gene ship in the final at Amsterdwas never forgotten by th.
who saw it.
Lowe had a distinguish

career in the law, both as barrister and as a judge; was a distinguished secret of the Amateur Athle Association; he was valued all who knew him for gentleness, his modest gen osity, his devotion to his lov Danish wife, and for his lightened service to the Sta

Captain the Hon Antho George Lowther, MBE, who don March 24 at the age of was High Sheriff of Westm land in 1964, a Deputy Li tenant for Cumbria and a forn Deputy Lieutenant for Westm Jand. He had been Master the Ullswater Foxbounds.

Dr Paul Francis Grains Pro Chancellor of Nottingha University, died on April 2. I was president of the Institute Chartered Accountants England and Wales in 1961. leaves a widow, two sons and

daughter. Jacques Bataille, former Eur pean featherweight amate boxing champion, died Amiens, France, on April 4. I was 51. He fought 140 times an amateur before turning pr fessional

Court of Appea

Proving manslaughter without a body

Before Lord Justice Ackner, Mr Justice Tudor Evans and Mr Jus-tice Drake tice Drake
[Opinion delivered April 2]

If a person is killed by one or
other of two or more acts by
an assallaur, each of which was

an assallant, each of which was sufficient to establish manslaughter if it caused the death, it is unnecessary in order to found a conviction for the Crown to prove which act caused the death. The Court of Appeal so stated in a reserved opinion on a reference by the Attorney General under section 36 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1972.

Mr Rrian Walsh, OC and Mr. Justice Act, 1972.

Mr Brian Walsh, QC, and Mr
Keith Lawrence for the Attorney
General; Mr James Chadwin, QC,
and Mr Ashraf Khan (neither and Mr Ashraf Khan (neither appeared below) for the respon-

LORD JUSTICE ACKNER said that the deceased was the accused's fiancée and they had lived together in a maisonette, the two floors being connected by two short flights of carpeted wooden. oden stairs. She met wooden stairs. She met area death on January 18, 1979, although the fact was not known until over three weeks later, when the accused informed a friend and subsequently gave valying

He made a detailed voluntary the deceased had an argument on the landing, in the course of which each slapped the other, he selzed and shook her hard, she dug her nails into him and he pushed her away instinctively causing her to fall backwards over the handrail, down the stairs head first on to the floor. He went downstairs immediately and found her motionless. On a very cursory examination he discovered no pulse and no sign of breath but frothy blood coming from her mouth. Almost immediately he dragged her upstairs by a rope tied round her neck, placed her

Attorney General's Reference having already decided to cut up appeared to have influenced his (No 4 of 1980) pieces. Later the police discovered

evidence which corroborated his account of how, where and when he had cut up the body. They also found the saw he had used and the shopkeeper who had used it to him. However, her body was never found, only some minute fragments of bone, discovered in maisonette. covered in maisonette. There was, thus, no expert evid-

ence as to the cause of death. She died either as a result of being pushed and thus caused to fall pushed and thus caused to fall backwards over the handrail on to the floor, or by being strangled with the rope, or having her throat cut. The Crown conceded that it was not possible to prove whether she died as the result of the "fall" downstairs or from what the accused did to her thereafter. The indictment charged him

the indictment charged him with manslaughter; obstructing the coroner in the execution of his duty; and preventing the burial of a corpse, to which he pleaded guilty. The Crown offered do evidence on the second charge, and the trial proceeded on the manslaughter count.

At the close of the Crown's case counsel for the accused stated that he proposed to submit that on the facts proved there was no case capable of going to that on the facts proved there was no case capable of going to the jury. His contention was (a) it was not possible for the jury to be sure what caused the death and (b) whether the death was caused as a result of her "fall" or from what he subsequently did, believing her to be dead, in neither event was there a prima facie case of manslaughter.

The judge appeared to have

The Judge appeared to have been concerned at what he described as "an insuperable described as "an problem of sentencing" described as an insuperable problem of sentencing," were the accused to be convicted of man-slaughter. His view was that the real criminality of the accused's behaviour was in disposing of the body, a view which their Lordships were unable to accept. Those views of the judge

decision to withdraw the case from the jury and to direct an acquittal on the ground that the Crown had failed to prove the cause of death.

The reference raised a single and simple question—"If an accused kills another by one or other of two or more different acts each of which, if it caused the death, is a sufficient act to establish manslaughter, is it necessary in order to found a conviction to prove which act caused the death?"

The answer was "No it is not

The answer was "No, it is not necessary to found a conviction to prove which act caused the death". No authority was required to justify the answer, which was clear beyond argument, as was indeed immediately conceded by Mr Chadwin. What went wrong was that coun-

sel made jury points to the judge and not submissions of law. Coun-

Six months too long by half Regina v Scannell

A six months' period of detention should be imposed only in excep-tional circumstances, Lord Justice Watkins said when giving judgment allowing an appeal by James Paul Patrick Scannell, aged 17, against a six months' sentence passed on him at Leeds Crown Court (Judge Dean) after pleading guilty to three offences of

burglary.

HIS LORDSHIP, sitting in the Court of Appeal with Lord Justice Ackner and Mr Justice Michael Davies, added that it was generally regarded in detention centres that a period of six months was counter-productive. Those who had experienced six months' deten tion knew it to be repetitive periods of three months. There was nothing exceptional in the present case, and the period was reduced to three months.

sel was in effect contending that the jury should not convict of manslaughter, if the death had manslaughter, if the death had resulted from the "fall", because the push which had projected the deceased over the hand-rail was a reflex and not a voluntary action, as a result of her digging her nails into him. If, however, she was still alive when he cut her throat, since he then genuinely believed her to be dead, having discovered neither pulse nor sign of breath, but frothy blood coming from her mouth, he could not be guilty of manslaughter because he had not behaved with gross criminal negli-

gaote, Counsel and the judge unfor-tunately overlooked that there was material available to the jury which would have entitled them to have convicted him of man-slaughter, whichever of the Iwo sets of acts caused her death. It being common ground that she was killed by an act done to her by the accused and it being con-

Intervening in confidence McC v McC

Mr Justice Wood, In wardship proceedings, granted leave to foster parents who had not met the mother of the ward to inter-vene in the proceedings and to seek leave to issue a summons

His Lordship ordered that the oster parents could be referred foster parents could be referred to in the wardship proceedings as the second defendants, Mr and Mrs K, and that they could file their evidence as statements exhibited and the statements of the second defendants. bited to affidavits. Those statements should not include anything which would identify them or the place where they lived.

The court indicated that the hearing of the wardship matter should be treated as a confidential matter and that the arrangements should be similar to the arrangements ments in a confidential adoption. ceded that the jury could not be satisfied which was the act which caused the death. have been directed in the s ming up to ask themselves:

"Are we satisfied beyone reasonable doubt that the reasonable doubt that the or ceased's fall downstairs was the result of an intentional act to the accused which was unlawful and dangerous? " If the answer was " No ", they would acquired to the accuse would need to ask themselves second question." second question:

"Are we satisfied beyom reasonable doubt that the act o cutting the girl's throat was a act of gross criminal negligence?" If the answer was a country to the answer was a country to the answer was act of gross criminal negligence? gence?" If the answer
"No", they would acquit,
if the answer was "Yes",
verdict would be guilty of B slaughter.

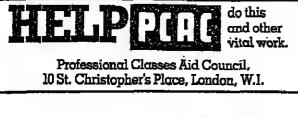
The jury would thus have been satisfied that, whichever act had killed the deceased, each was sufficient act to establish the offence of manslaughter.

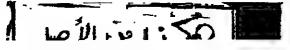
The facts of the case did not tall for a "series of acts direction" following the principle in Thubo Melli v R ([1954] I WLR 228), and their Lordships had been deprived of the stimulating questions whether R v Church ([1966] 1 QB 59) correctly extended the principle to manslaughter, parprinciple to manslaughter, par-ticularly to constructive man-slaughter and, if so, whether that decidendi.

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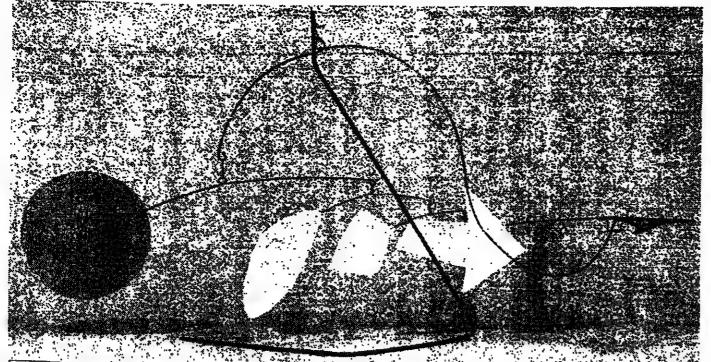
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ough Fifties nostalgia is big the momeot in other areas time does not yet seem the to have come in arriver. We still look upon boo-rang-shaped coffee tables, yeary Cathedral, and the indiser creations of Bernard ifer or Mathieu or Reg ler with the equivocal, apy indulgence of "Isn't it iderful, it's so awful". But is not so long ago that we precisely the same amirude Victorian extravaganzas

ich we now take very jously indeed, so perhaps reciation of the 1950s is eady creeping up on us un-res. The other week I and myself readly, seriously wowing of some Halle furnie at the Victoria and Albert ually created in Festival of-tain year. And today I find self akmost equally sursed to be enjoying as much I do the show of Calder biles et Waddington II and, ew doors down Cork Street, the Mayor Gatlery until

lot that all of Calder is onologically encampassed the 1950s. The earliest work die present show, a stabile ed Kiki's Nose, dates back 1932, and the most recent, my-three Snowflakes and quetts for Wichita, were le in 1975, the year before death. Nor can we even by claim that he swam into ken in the 1950s; his first man show in London was he Mayor Gallery in 1937. if every artist has his or ideal period, without doubt ier's was the 1950s. From



An aesthetic of lightness and mobility: Calder's White Arrow (1971).

start, his aesthetic was based on and that lightness, mobility and that spidery, spindly quality which has been appreciated above all during that decade. In the 1950s people thrilled for the first time to the aesthetic participants. the aesthetic possibilities of structures without any visible means of support painted forms which seemed to be outtimed in wire, sculptures which took off with an almost audible flutter of tiny wings or hovered as mysteriously as flying saucers.

At which point Calder might well have said "I told you so". His Mobile with Glass and String of 1934, suspending in delicate balance morsels of coloured glass, anticipates completely the Fifties look-except that later on the suspended pieces of the mobile would also be streamlined in shapes suggesting the boomerang or aerodynamic diagrams. Since Calder remained true to his style, once established, for the rest of his life, during the last 10 years or so of it he seemed something of an anachronism, and it became difficult to look at his characteristic mobiles, or even the free-standing sheet-metal Critters with three or four legs which now so charmingly people the back room at the Mayor Gallery, without reducing them to fit a period pigeonhole. But time brings its revenges, and now I doubt if anyone entering either of these

of delight at the brightly coloured constructions which move gently in the breeze about his head or nudge his elbow or engage in a stately mechanical dance to the tune of some hidden power, Light-hearted without being frivolous and elegant without affectation, Calder's works inhabit their own space, but make us all welcome in it.

During the 1950s, Jack Smith was exhibiting at the Beaux Arts Gallery, and, as one might expect from the context, was very much the sort of realist critics of the time I liked to link With the kitchen sink. It was, of course, in its way a very Fiftyish thing to be. But with the 1960s his style changed completely, and he moved into the kind of abstraction he still tractices today as may be seen practices today, as may be seen from the show of recent work now at Fischer Fine Art (until April 16). And yet, curiously enough, there is something rather Fiftyish about his abstractions, too. The little bars of yellow and red and black an blue which whirl and scatter over the geometrical grid of Fractured I, like matchsticks in a flooded gutter, are in Festival colours and have the right sort of down-with-Utility larkishness. Elsewhere the clusters of pins with coloured heads which bring a dimen-sional element into the paint-

ings complete the physically-

if not necessarily spirituallylightweight effect.

But I must not push a fancy too far. Representational or abstract, Jack Smith knows his own mind and follows his own way, which is not necessarily bounded by any particular period. If his paintings look at times a bit like exploded Mondrians, their spirit Is much closer to Dufy: an irrepressible pollity will keep breaking through. Much the same could be said of Jacqui Poncelet's latest pors at the Crafts Council Gallery (until May 15). The juxtaposition is not entirely random either: the patterns with which they are decorated, and the colours used in those patterns, have a more than passing resemblence to Jack Smith's and convey the same sort of dislocated cheerfulness. The shapes, this time, are mostly sliced-off or bitten-into ovals, with some even more Fiftyish free-forms thrown in the angular cartons of ceramic seem for a moment to have been phased out.

The 1950s crop up, surpris-ingly, in the show of Carl Van Vechten's photographs at the 12 Duke Street Gallery until April 16. The surprise is that most people's associations with Van Vechten, fostered by the show's rather elaborate mise en scene, are of the 1920s and early 1930s—the time of his most famous novels, such as Nigger Heaven and Peter Whif-

fle. Indeed, it may come as an added surprise to many (of the heard of him) that he took photographs as well. But he did, and latterly, when his literary fame had faded, that was what he did more than anything else. Because of his e in other areas, however, he had access to many literary lions who were not photographed by just anybody; while still in his eighties an abiding intrest in the young and the beautiful brought the young lions, the Marlon lions, the Marlon and Truman Capotes and all, into his view-finder too. Even at the last, there is a sort of engaging amateurish-ness about the pictures. But unlike Cecil Beaton, Van Vechten never lost his photographic innocence, and so the rather silly props and the transparent contrivance work almost as well as his occasional

inspired simplicity. No amateurishness whatever about the other classic twentieth-century photographer at present on show, Herbert List, an impressive selection of whose best work is on at the Photographers' Gallery in Great Newport Street (until April 26) to coincide with the publication of a finely pro-duced and long-overdue book about his art from Thames and Hudson (£12.50). List seems to have had other interests in common with Van Vechten—a

weakness for surrealist trimmings, a lot of muscular young flesh—but even bis earliest, "amateur" photographs, taken when he was just feeling his way and filling up his personal snapsbot album, have the unistakable artist's eye for a cunning composition, for the sparkling interplay of light and surface tertures.

It seems reasonable that he should have been a close friend of Hoyningen Huene, since his approach to photographing classical antiquity, or finding bizarre sights on the pale yellow sands of the sur-realists, or constructing do-it-yourself Dalis and Chiricos in his studio, bears a striking resemblance to Hoyningen Huene's own, and they fre-quently worked in the 1930s for the same magazines. This is very much photographic art with a capital A—none of your grainy neo-realism for List, even when he is recording bomb-shattered Munich after the war—but for once it is the war-but for once it is fully able to live up to its pretensions.

of photographers who revelled thus unashamedly in glamour and artifice has focused attention—thanks largely to the scholarship and enthusiasm of John Kobal—on that hitherto despised and virtually anonymous breed, the Hollywood portrait photographer. Davis Boulton, who is the subject of a small exhibition at the National Film Theatre (until the end of the month), was not exactly that, as he was working in British studios and combined, Britain being Britain, jobs which in Hollywood were completely distinct on-set stillsman and portrait photographer. And in fact the continuity ity which runs through his pictures from Hitchcock films at Gaumout British in the mid-1930s to the last lavish Ben-Hur in Rome is above all in

his response to character. There is, for instance, a classic image of Ralph Richardson from the prewar period, lolling on a wall like a discarded doll but keeping a watchful eye open; and later, from The Bar-retts of Wimpole Street, a superb Gielgud in severe mood. But he could also make beautiful women look beautiful and interesting women look in-teresting, and had a fine eye for oddity—the antic dispro-portions of Tom Thumb seen from the sidelines are well captured, and there is one weird image of giant legs endmen intage of grant legs ending in the empty air outside a

Ben-Hur set which List would

have been proud to create if

he could not just, like Boulton,

find it and pin it down for

John Russell Taylor

Bread or Blood BBC 2

Joan Bakewell

As an opening episode it did not get very far. But then it soon became clear that the

in this century from conversa-tions with villagers whose family recollections reach back to those times.

compellingly true.

is in effect highly stylized. The dialogue is minimal. All action reduced to essentials. Charac-terization conveyed by a hard look, a stooped shoulder, a bending head. Music a mere drum, sometimes a pipe and harp. No more. If slow, it is ously parodyable.

In terms of presentation-y Ruth Caleb, the producer, and Peter Smith, the directorit effectively saborages today's modish fashion for all things

Bread or Blood has none of those bright scrubbed pine tables, cotton aprons or crisp wicker baskets. Its tables and baskets are worn and dark, its mattresses creep with straw, its outdoor pump runs cold to red-den the hands. This is a picture of rural poverty at a level we can hardly imagine; the only light from candles, coal is a luxury, venison a rare treat, and the news of the death of Marlborough taking 12 months to cross the county. It is in the telling of this sombre record that the series promises to be

Bartok's mystery Castle

The triple bill of all Bartok's stage works is tonight given in London for the first time. English National Opera and London Festival Baller combine at the Coliseum to present Duke Bluebeard's

Castle, The Wooden Prince and The Miraculous Mandarin. John Tomlinson (right) sings the demanding part of Bluebeard.

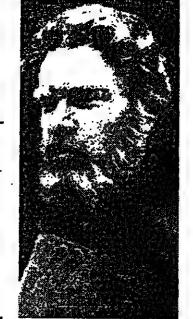
At the age of 19 and in the middle of studying for a civil engineering degree at Man-chester University, John Tom-linson pinned a card up on the notice board of the Royal Manchester College of Music asking for singing lessons. Within five years he was a principal at Glyndebourne, after four more moved into the English National Opera in roles like Hagen, Leporello, Sarastro and Figaro, and made his debut in Salome at Covent Garden. Tonight, at the age of 34, he sings Bartok's Duke Bluebeard for the Figure at the English for the first time at the English National Opera. His thoughts about the role

reveal something of his approach to his own career. He understudied the part for the ENO production three years ago. "I've thought a tremendous amount about it since then. When I worked with Reginald Goodall on the role of Hagen for a whole year—his methods are slow, painstaking, years in advance of a perfor-mance—I realized how important a long preparation was for me. I now have very specific ideas about Bluebeard, though they are so deeply assimilated that it's barder than ever to be specific about them.

"The work is, after all, a complete mystery: no one should ever claim to have found its total meaning. Yet there oren't many roles where the character is so clearly drawn. Bluebeard's personality, his memory, if you like, is being opened up in stages from the first door, the torture chamber-the archetypal Bluebeard—through to the sixth door, the sea of tears. And there you realize that behind all the exteriors is a tremendous depth of sorrow.

"And he's a universal haracter. The relationship character. with Judith, contracted into 50 minutes, is a relationship be-tween any man and woman drum, sometimes a pipe and harp. No more. If slow, it is also impressive. But, who knows, by the end of five episodes it may also have become also in the state of the doors is necessary. painful, joyful—and yet still more doors have to be opened. It's one of the few roles where you have to do a performance of the state of the doors is necessary. ance each time. I can't even rehearse without performing it : so much depends on the internal emotional score. But it's the music itself, shrhough it's so complicated, that makes such an incredibly difficult task possible, and you're safe if you're always servant to it."

Offers of roles are coppling over each other for John Tom-linson now: "I feel as if I'm on a conveyor belt; the only time I ever feel like giving up is out of sheer exhaustion ". But his energy is safely channelled by his approach to his work, which seems to be very much that of the philosophercraftsman; reminiscent, in-deed, of Hans Sachs, a role which he still feels uncertain about vocally (it is a higher, bass-baritone role), but which he is obviously drawn to and



would love to sing in a few

"As a performer, you've got to give yourself environment in which to develop as an artist. If you get pigeon-holed as the serious, weighty bass of Wagner and Verdi, it can be very limiting." He left one singing teacher precisely because he felt he was becoming too bass-orientated: instinctively felt wrong; I've always insisted on not putting false quality into the voice, manufacturing a dark colour. It's an all-too-common yet quite wrong tendency for a young bass."

After six years on contract at the ENO, and Salome, La Bohème and Simon Boccanegra at Covent Garden, Tomlinson is now independent and free to chose in which direction be goes. "I'd like to keep working at the ENO as a guest—I trea-sure that. When the audience understanding the words i there's a good cross-setion socially, you're well and the way to finding what opera's about I was afraid of going to Covent Garden and being to Covert Garden and being tempted by one or two good roles then deteriorating into endless gardeners and second priests. So I've opted over the last five years to do bigger roles at ENO rather than smaller ones at Covent Garden.

But this summer he will be the Royal Opera House doing Hobson in Peter Grimes and Masetto in the new Don Giovanni, with Ferrando in Trovatore, the Commendatore in Dr Giovanni and Ratcliffs in Billy Budd among at least eight roles there next season, with pencillings in his diary for 1983 when he also books forward to a lot of work abroad. There will be Mozart's Figaro and Achillas in Han-del's Giulio Cesare in Geneva, and another Figaro in Avignon.

Above all, Tomlinson will not be rushed, or rushed into specializing. "Ultimately, though, I feel my voice and personality are more northern than southern European. I'm looking forward immensely to Boris on the ENO tour next spring—and of course more Wagner. I believe very strongly that it would be dangerous to specialize in that now, but I've a feeling that when I'm 40 or so that may happen and I may then forget the Figgros."

Having worked on Strauss's Ariadno and Salome, and recently recorded Guntram for the BBC, he is full of excited apprehension at the thought of the first Para Corbin in the his first Baron Ochs in the next Glyndebourne touring season. "I just hope I'm cut out for it. I'm quite young, I I'm not the most extrovert sort of character. But I'm very optimistic about that. In fact it's all gone far better than I could have hoped."

Hilary Finch

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idenfeld & Nicolson, £9.95) d's wounds! I will pull 1 my breeches and they also see my arse!" umed the King, sick and of the attentions of a d which he was told ed to gaze upon his face. James I was not vain; unike so many self-made but like most decent le who have inherited position, he was well able stinguish between himself person and the great he occupied. However, particular occasion was moment's personal petufor he was far more than his descendant 1 Victoria of the public's for a glimpse of their eign At York

great comfort of the he went on foot to saying: "I will have ach, for the people are us to see a King, and so shall, for they shall as ree his body as his face". t James was not only tally modest, but also ahead of his ill-yoked oms in good sense, is apparent from the wise eadable reassessment of eign in Caroline Bing-James I of England. is her second book on often misunderstood 'ch, being complementary earlier work on the sub-The Making of a King: Early Years of James VI I. But this new book on its own, since it years as King of Scots proceeding to his inter-ally more important with a summary of his ally more important as King of England. He f, of course, preferred to

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of Elizabeth I until the present reign.

King James was not only a statesman ahead of his subjects in desiring their political union, he was also an accomplished theologian far ahead of his time ecumenically. Himself a devout Calvinist despite his well-known crack, "No bishop, no king", he allowed his Danish queen to become a convert to Catholicism without endangering their children's statunch Anglicanism; and but for the backlash provoked by the foolish firebrands' Gunpowder Plot had clearly intended to relax the penal laws against Roman Catholics.

As the story unfolds, my admiration increases for Miss Bingham's scholarly compassion towards the long-dead people of whom she writes. If the Howards appear too tenacious of power, when she takes even the naughtiest of them apart—the marderess Frances Howard, Countess of Essex and Somerset—she brings us into sympathy with the misguided lady's problems. She is

into sympathy with the mis-guided lady's problems. She is able to discuss James's affec-tion for Carr and Buckingham in a tolerant light impossible to earlier writers: at first experimentally bisexual, his more dominant homosexuality probably involved mutual masturbation, since he condemned sodomy. Above all, however, James kept England our of war: his wise inglorious motto was "Blessed are the Peace-

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evocation the English countryside as it once was; the flute, harp and the strings' timeless continuum suggesting he hushed calm of a late spring afternoon. John Pritchard caught that aspect of the music beautifully in the performance he gave on Sunday with the London Philharmonic Orchestra and later on there was much lovely playing from the strings

Into this state of contemplation a Lincolnshire folk song is introduced, and it, too, seems outside rime. However corporeal action ensues in the resource-ful variations which follow, and once again it has to be remarked that because Delius has been so much spoken of as a rhapsodist we remain less aware than we should be of his craftmenship. Perhaps Brigg Fair is a matter of variations on a mood rather than on notes. for often we seem to be at once close to, yet far distant from, the thematic melody. That comes across in the diver-sity of the insistently multistoreyed orchestral fabric, which Mr Pritchard controlled with vigilant sensitivity.

Another set of variations fol-lowed in the shape of Rach-

maninov's Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, in which Joaquin Achucarro was the soloist. Like Brigg Fair, it is no rhapsody. To begin with, the keyboard part is thinly written, but Mr. Achurarra played it. but Mr Achucarro played it very legato and well-pedalled, The opening pages of Deliug's very legato and well-pedalled, Brigg Fair are a remarkable so that it achieved maximum orchestration.

continued several variations, the plano and orchestra heightening the several effect that each was making. Theirs was, indeed, a very musical performance, the difficulties of the soloist's part never being made a point of, although the virtuosity of the orchestration was emphasized. Without ever going against the score, and aided by the Festival Hall's famous

Festival Hall's famous acoustics, Mr Pritchard accentwoodwind and brass rather than strings, and the whole sometimes took on an icy glitter reminiscent of Paganini rather than Rachmaninov. Even the lushly melodious Variation 18 was not overheated, and note was taken of the humour the composer expressed in several deflationary endings, We also heard an interesting account of Sibelius's second symphony, at once sombre and exultant. The LPO strings had their turn here, producing a darkly resonant tone which gave this interpretation much of its weight. However, rather than the music's physical properties, the real point was its internal drama, so vividly realized here.

Wind Harmonie/ Bourton

Queen Elizabeth Hall Hilary Finch

Sunday night's curtain-raiser, Weber's "Marche für Harmonie", is, as its title would make clear in France or Germany, a march for wind band. That Robert Bourton, pand. That Reprincipal bassoon of the London Symphony Orchestra, chose the strangely but perhaps in England necessarily tautologous name of Wind Harmonie for his newly formed narmonte for his newly tormed ensemble in no way detracts from his enterprise in giving well-established orchestral colleagues a chance to come out for an airing.

An outing was obviously what they needed. Although the group contains some highly group contains some highly skilled individual musicians, as was revealed in the deftly played 16 variations of Wilfred Joseph's meandering Concerto
a Dodici, their ensemble playing is as yet too complacent and lacking in a sense of musical galvanization and interfertilization to be taken seriously as chamber-music making.

Colours and tones were blended sensitively enough to tickle the ear in Milhaud's Fifth Symphonie, the Dixtuor for wind, although it would perhaps have been more valuable at this early stage in the programme to have heard more gramme to have heard more than one of his fleeringly whim-

sical miniatures to enable a relatively unprepared audience to catch and savour their idiom. The real test of the evening came in Mozart's Divertimento in E flat, K226. Performances of these lesser-known, slighter wind serenades can so often slip into the mechanical yet erratic pleasantries of a Vien-nese musical clock if the witty, artful twists and turns of the repartee are not caught, relished and turned into alert and lively musical conversation. It was here, particularly in the outer two movements, that the group's lack of close-knit musical purpose was most apparent.
After the interval the smell of the theatre in Donizetti's Sinfonia in G minor seemed to warm the players' blood some-what and get them well blown in for what was musically and interpretatively by far the most satisfying piece of the evening. The 1952 revised version of Stravinsky's Octet.

The smaller grouping and the classical discipline of the writing seemed to urge the group.

ing seemed to urge the group ing seemed to urge the group to a greater sensitivity and seriousness of purpose; the s'accato and legato contrasts of the opening Sinfonia were sharnly etched; the bright, multicoloured sparklets of criss-crossing rhythmic and melodic patterns in its variations fired from a controlled and potent source of inner energy.

But the evening as a whole was disappointingly lacking in imperus, its ultimately insub-

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from vesterday's later editions.

intention of this rather serious new drama series is not to cover ground, but to stand it. For Bread or Blood is about the state of affairs that prevailed in rural England, more yalled in rural England, more specifically Wiltsbire, in the decade after the Napoleonic wars. The episode—barely plotted, sparingly scripted by Peter Rausley—has been taken by him from W. H. Hudson's book, A Shepherd's Life, itself an historical record made early in this converse.

Without knowing anything of the source one can only credit it with authenticity because the simple story of stag poaching, Bible-reading goodness and wind-lashed poverty rings so

At the same time the series

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Sterling plunges $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents to lowest close for 12 months

By Frances Williams
The pound took a battering from all sides on world foreign exchange markets vesterday, sinking in London to its lowest closing level against the dollar for a year.

for a year,
Speculation on an early cut in
minimum lending rate reports
that the International Monetary Fund is to resume sterling lending and a strengthening dollar all contributed to the pound's

tumble.

Increasing fears over Soviet intentions towards Poland and higher dollar interest rates sent the dollar soaring against all leading currencles.

The pound finished London trading on intentions of the country of the country

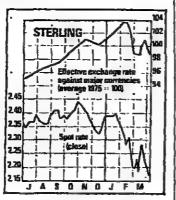
trading at its lowest level of the day, down more than 31 cents from Friday at \$2.1690. It has not traded below \$2.17 since early March and last closed at this level at the beginning of April 1980, its low point of the

year.
Sterling also lost ground to continental currencies, including the Deutsche mark. Its trade-weighted index, as calculated by the Bank of England, was down 0.8 from Friday at was down 0.8 from Friday at 98.7 (average 1975 = 100).

The pound weakened against

the dollar overnight on Sunday along with other currencies in the European Monetary System. But despite Bank of England support it fell back sharply during the day shead of today's handing foundations. banking figures, on speculation that these will show relatively low monetary growth in March and will thus pave the way for an early cut in minimum lending rate.

mum lending rate. Reports at the weekend that the IMF is planning to resume lending in sterling also depressed the pound. It is feared that additional amounts of the currency sold on the foreign exchange markets could depress



dollar forged ahead steadily throughout the day. Renewed worries about political tensions in Poland encouraged investors to sell European currencies such as the Deutsche mark and to put their money into dollars, with considerable interest rate advantages.

The United States currency gained 34 pfennings on the Deutsche mark, its highest

closing level for a month. United States interest rates rose further on Monday. The key federal funds rate, at which the banks lend each other reserves, traded at 16 per cent from 151 per cent on Friday, and Euro-dollar deposit rates also rose sharply. The rate of interest on three-month deposits was up i percentage point from Friday at 151 to 151

per cent. These rises follow publica-tion of the United States whole-sale prices and unemployment figures for March which suggest that the American economy and bence credit demand remains buoyant. There were also indications from the Federal Reserve Board that it does not want interest rates to

French motor rivals join forces in trucks deal

Peugeot and Renault, the rival French motor groups, have agreed to collaborate in the manufacture and marketing of commercial vehicles throughout Europe.

The deal, which involves Talbot's Dodge truck and bus subsidiary at Dunstable, will be announced formally within the next two weeks. According to management and union sources on the Continent last night it will be the first in a series of deals leading to a full merger of Peugeot and Renault commercial vehicle interests.

It is understood that the French

It is understood that the French Government is making substantial finance available to persuade the traditional rivals to sink their differences and establish a single, strong French tracks 2000. French trucks group.

Peugeor had a neminal interest in

commercial vehicles until it bought Chrysler Europe two and a half years ago and acquired Chrysler's truck and

ago and acquired Chrysler's truck and van factories in Spain and Britain.

In Spain the former Barreiros Company was the leading manufacturer of trucks over 12 tonnes while Dodge United Kingdom—a much smaller company with only 2,000 employees—held about 8 per cent of the British market. Peugeot initially wanted to talk about plans to become a leading force in commercial vehicles. These had to be hurriedly shelved last year, however, when the group ran into serious financial problems for the first time. A Brussels-based executive of an international motor group said last night: "The real prize for Renault is the Spanish operation. Spain is still a virtually closed market to motor imports. In the United Kingdom

network to strengthen its rather weak serup for Renault trucks and vans." A spokesman for Talbot United King-dom said last night: "I cannot confirm or deny this rumour. I have no com-

ment to make."

But Mr George Turnbull, chairman of Talbor United Kingdom, had said recently that Peugeot was looking for partnership deals on commercial vehicles. It is known that talks with Daf, Holland, which is part-owned by International Barvester of America, reached an advanced stage last autumo

reached an advanced stage last autumn but collapsed suddenly.

In another move, Talbot said yesterday that it would close its assembly plant in Dublin and cease all trading in the Republic unless the Irish trade unions withdrew an embargo on Talbot imports by April 13. Redundancy notices

The embargo was imposed last week retaliation for Talbot's action in aking 90 workers redundant in Dublin. making 90 workers redundant in Dublin. This came after the phasing out of Avenger assembly for export to Britain. The model will disappear altogether when the Linwood plant closes next

month.

Talbot tried to get the embargo lifted by offering to place a £17m tyre contract with Dunlop Cork which would have provided work or 90 men. It was approved by the Irish Government but was rejected by the Irish Congress of

Trade Unions.
Talbor said last night that it had no option but to withdraw completely because the embargo and picketing had prevented it from trading after 36 years in Ireland.

UK owners

Shipbuilders and BP condemn Budget tax

The Government's taxation measures on oil revenues, announced in the last Budget, came in for strong criticism yesterday from senior execu-tives of British Petroleum and British Shipbuilders at the Scott Lithgow yard, in Port Glasgow, when the first Emergency Support Vessel to be launched in the United Kingdom went into the water

on time but without ceremony, At £60m, the contract repre-sents the most valuable order received by British Shipbuilders for a single commercial vessel, intended for day to day support of offshore official operations. She will be provided with the most advanced facilities available to deal with all kinds of platform inspection, main-tenance, and service require-ments, with capabilities for any

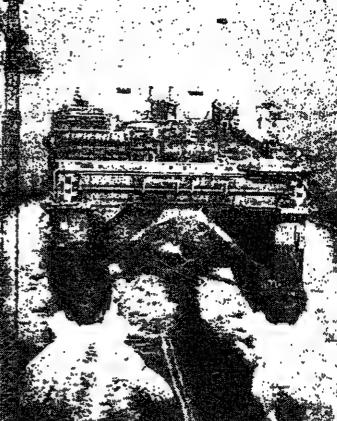
emergency. lolair, as it will be named. will serve installations in the Forties and Thistle fields, but ir will also be available for similar support in other areas off the north-west European continental shelf.

shore division (Scott Lithgow), siad that the vessel would be owned and operated 75 per cent by BP, and 25 per cent by BP, and 25 per cent by the British National Oil Cor-

poration (BNOC), on her delivery in September, British Petroleum had also given Scott Lithgow an order for a 109,000tonne segregated ballast tanker valued at £35m and a heavy-duty, semi-submersible drilling rig valued at £55m.

Mr Parker said that they now viewed with "grave dis-quietude" the recent changes in taxation policy by the Treasury resulting in the postponement by Occidental of the development of their Claymore B field with a floating produc-tion rig. This was a serious blow to the offshore division They had read with mounting concern statements from Shell BNOC, and most recently from Sir David Steel, chairman of BP, that the taxation changes

might lead to a slowing down of investment plans, and that depending on discussions with the Government over future taxation policies a decision by BP to shelve an offshore pro-Mr Cameron Parker, chair-man of British Shipbuilders off-months.



The emergency support vessel Iolair is launched at Scott Lithgow's yard in Port Glasgow.

place orders with foreign shipyards

By Our Industrial Editor British shipyards, faced with the prospect of industrial action over planned compulsory redundancies, have less than 18 months' work, while owners have turned to foreign yards for their new ships.

Orders placed by United Kingdom shipping companies with foreign shipbuilding nations—especially South Korea and Japan—have risen to their highest level for years, totalling 1.2 million tons gross and equivalent to more than double the inflow of orders into home shipyards last year.

The latest annual report of Lloyd's Register of Shipping, published yesterday, revealed that United Kingdom owners have more than 500,000 tons of ships on order in South Korea and 289,000 tons from Japanese

Other foreign shipbuilders benefiting from the industry's orders include Brazil, Poland and Italy, and 80 per cent of the ships now on order for United Kingdom registration are bulk carriers.

Lloyd's said that last year the decline of the British shipbuilding industry had been further accentuated and it now renked elevents in the leaves.

ranked eleventh in the league table of orders.
With the inflow of orders last

year amounting to 500,000 tons gross, output for the year was the lowest since 1933 and the lowest since records were kept. Irrespective of the factors which have contributed to a situation where United Kingdom shipperds have less than eighteen months' work, there can be no consolation whatso-ever in the fact that more than 1.2 million tons gross is on order elsewhere in the world for the United Kingdom flag. the highest figure for many years". Lloyd's commented

Although the United Kingdom industry fared less well than its main competitors, Lloyd's said that last year provided every indication than an overall improvement in the fortunes of the industry was under way with the volume of orders placed last year worldwide reaching their highest level since 1974.

Ultimatum for British yards over iob losses

British Shipbuilders yesterday was given just over a forthnight to withdraw 628 compulsory redundancy notices or face possible industrial action. Six hundred delegates from all over the United Kingdom decided to hold yard by yard meetings on the redundancies

week. The meeting, in Newcastle upon Tyne, also agreed to report its decisions on further action to the shipbuilding negotiating committee of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering unions by April 22. Mr James Murray, chairman

the corporation announced last

of the negotiating committee, said after the meeting that conflict was inevitable if British Shipbuilders did not withdraw the notices it started to issue last week

He said the delegates had empowered the committee "to support whatever action the men in the yards think necessary to challenge compulsory redundancies.

"In the event of action being taken it is likely to be countrywide". he said.

Mr Murray said the meeting had been unanimous in its support for action. He would not be drawn on the type of action, but said there were forms of retaliation other than strikes. Since nationalization in 1977 about 20,000 workers have voluntarily left the industry which now employs 70,000.

Mr Murray said the 7.5 per cent pay deal recommended by the confederation was the best available and should be accepted. But this would also be debated in the yards, he said.

Rates for small denomination bank

noise only, as supplied yesterday by Barclaye Bank International Lid-Different rates apply to travellers thouses and other foreign surrosey

IMF chief calls for tough stand against trade protectionism Mr De Larosiere is seeking additional funds from other oil exporting countries and also ex-pects to borrow at least 1,000m SDRs of shorter term financing

From Frank Vogl . US Economics Correspondent Washington, April 6

Mr Jacques De Larosiere, managing director of the Inter-national Monetary Fund, called yesterday for tough anti-protectionist and money policies in industrial nations. He gave a warning at a banking conference that protec-

tionism and currency manipulation were the of the economic problems of the 1930s and he said: "One major challenge for the fund today is to assist in averting a repetition of that disastrous period." Mr De Larosiere said that the fund's policy analysis over the last two years had con-cluded that the industrial economies must give primacy to the control of inflation by constraining money demand within the limits of domestic output and the availability of sustainable external finance He said that the balance of payments problems of all oil importing nations were increasing and that the average deficit of these countries in 1980-81 would be over 7 per cent of their gross national product, compared to a rate of 3 per cent in the early

By Our Financial Staff

retailer

Mr Michael Ashcroft, # 36-

year-old entrepreneur, is to merge his public company

interests, Hawley Leisure and Provincial, formerly Provincial

Hawley, a sports goods

machines company, is to make an £18.2m takeover offer in

ordinary shares for Provincial.

On a pro-forma basis the

merged group, of which Mr Ashcroft will be the executive chairman, would have a market

and amusement

Providing sufficient loans to



Mr Jacques De Larosiere: IMF must help to avert a repetition of the 1930s.

these countries was a prime concern for the fund. The managing director said that difficulties in the negotiations on securing IMF quota increases meant that it would be "several years" before the fund's resources were increased by this means. But he was optimistic about borrowing from IMF member countries after Saudi Arabia's decision to lend the fund 4,000m of Special Drawing Rights this year and

Hawley Leisure in £18m merger

The rationale of the deal, according to Mr Ashcroft, is that the new company would be

"engaged in the provision of services ranging from retailing

and leisure to building main-

After a capital reorganiza-tion of Hawley, three new Hawley shares will be offered

for every five in Provincial.

This represents a one-for-one share exchange prior to the

capital reorganization, and values each Provincial share, on

the basis of last night's Hawley

Mr Ashcroft came into the

capital

from the central banks for the industrialized countries. The fund needs to avement its resources by between 6,000m and 7,000m SDRs and it has not ruled out the possibility of bor-rowing directly from the mar-kets. This would help the fund to diversify its sources of finance as well as boost the role of the SDR in the markets, The total loans committed by the fund to its members is 10,000m SDRs. This is more than double the average for

the past six years and the final 1981 figure is likely to exceed 12,000m SDRs. Already 31 countries have obtained large loans with tough conditions attached and the fund expects this number to rise considerably by the end of

this year. Mr De Larosiere stressed that the fund was not in the development aid business and the conditions set on its lending were to strengthen the framework for sustained longterm growth in its member

public limelight just over three

years ago when he acquired strategic stakes in Hawley and

Provincial. A series of takeover

bids by both companies fol-lowed, and last year Provincial acquired a stake of just over 20 per cent in Pritchard Ser-vices, a large industrial clean-ing and contraction

ing and contracting group.

The possibility of a bid by

the new Hawley group, should

the deal announced yesterday

go through, is not ruled out.

Pritchard shares gained 3p to 166p in a dull stock market.

off to a brisk start much more convinced about the London's newest commodity market, the International Petro-

Petroleum exchange

Correspondent

leum Exchange, got off to a brisk start on its first day yesterday by trading 1,779 100-tonne loss of heating oil futures. Mr Robin Woodhead, chair

man of the market, said: "It is very encouraging for a first day." He said that a promising feature of the market was the number of oil trade users. The June contract closed at \$304.50 after opening as pre-dicted at \$300 and reaching \$305 at one point during the day. After allowing for the

encouraging because the
Rotterdam spot market was
quiet for most of the day.
One trader said: "People are

number of crossed contracts,

market now that they realize its hedging possibilities." The founders of the IPE have always argued that the market's success largely rests on oil traders and majors using is at a prices bedge.
The IPE trades futures con-

tracts for heating oil, known as gas oil, in lots of 100 tonnes. he contract is close York Merchantile Exchange. New York prices were active yesterday, possibly encouraged by activity in London. Contracts can be traded up to nine months ahead of the

first delivery month, which is June. Oil for delivery in January, 1982, was fetching \$335

the final trade totalled about 1,200 contracts.

Dealers felt that the willingness of the oil trade to test the new. contracts was especially encouraging because the Rottterdam spot market was quiet for most of the day.

One trader said: "People are market will have established trader said: "People are week. If a daily turnover of about 200 lots can be attained fairly soon he believes the market will have established trader."

By Michael Prest

Esso has sounded a note of caution over prospects for the infant oil-from-shale industry by seeking renegotiation of the agreement for developing the big Rundle oil shale deposits in Onespeak Australia in Queensland, Australia.

The oil major told its two
Australian partners in the
scheme, Central Pacific

Minerals and Southern Pacific Petroleum, that it wants to re-consider whether the next stage at Rundle should be a A\$2,100m (£1,100m) pilot plant. Yesterday's announcement from Esso brought the shares new Hawley group, should deal announced yesterday through, is not ruled out chard shares gained 3p to in a dull stock market.

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Ifom Esso brought the shares sharply down. CPM, which had been A\$11 in October, slumped to close in London at A\$2.85. SPP after fetching A\$4 in October, ended the day at A\$1.15. CPM and SPP each has 25 per cent of the deposit, while Esso has \$0 per cent.

Esso 'delay' hits shale oil shares that it will soon propose a plan whereby the pilot stage could be dropped and the project will proceed directly to a commercial plant after laboratory and other investigations.

> The Esso move is widely regarded in Australian financial circles as a delaying tactic. It is pointed out that the Rundle deposits—at north and south Rundle—bave become more and more expensive to exploit while real oil prices have barely risen.

> At present costs, a 50,000 barrel a day plant—the minimum at which the deposit would be economical-could require an investment of A\$10,000m. The 280,000 barrel a day plant which was envisaged in the heads of agreement last year might cost AS15,000m.

Sources also suggest that Esso may be trying to put political pressure on the Australian Government to raise the price of its oil from the Bass Strait. Esso is the biggest producer from this offshore field, but only receives the equivalent of about US\$14 a barrel.

Rundle contains estimated reserves of about 2,000 million barrels of oil. The share prices of CPM and SPP have risen strongly in recent years on expectations that the deposit would be commercially developed. British investors are heavy buyers of the shares.

Under the 1980 agreement Esso would have provided most of the enormous finance. The plan envisaged a first stage during which 25,000 tonnes of ore would be extracted daily to feed the pilot plant.

Piety and profit hand in hand, as Hodder buys New English Library

Harold Robbins joins Enid Blyton 'stable'

Remaindering, the reselling of books that can no longer be sold at full prices, is an island of prosperity in a sea of puban island of prosperity in a 522 of publishing recession. The list of the lame brought low by slump, a strong pound, public spending cuts and high interest rates is long, and it is led by such distinguished names as Penguin and BPC. For a time, the biggest publisher of the lot, William Collins, was among that number. But one name is absent, Hodder and Stoughton, far from shrinking before the recession, is deliberately expanding into it. Yesterday it added the New English Library to a paperback list that already Coroner, Knight (for children) and the

Coroner. August (for children) and the Teach Yourself series.

The seller (for 2.4m) was the big American Times Mirror Company of Los Angeles, whose main interests are in broadcasting and newspapers. New English Library, a United Kingdom subsidiary must have seemed a sickly infant that would not grow up. Times Mirror will not miss such a tiny member of its family. How has Hodder, a public unquoted company, succeeded where others are

struggling to survive? Because it married

piery to profit. Matthew Hodder and Cecil Wilherforce Stoughton founders in 1868, did well by doing good

1868, did well by doing good
They set up in the City's Paternoster
Row, published a series of theological
works: books like Ascent of Man, Natural
Law in the Spiritual World, and the
Expositor's Bible (in 49 volumes). Nonreligious books were also sold, but only
of the "improving" kind, such as President Garfield's From Log Cabin to White
House.

These Victorians had no trouble uniting God and Mammon. Matthew's grandson, Sir John Ernest Hodder-Williams produced a lavish edition of Omar Khayyam. Grand-father complained of "beathen rubbish". But Sir Ernest replied: "It has shown a profit of £800 in the past 12 months." Matthew Hodder (after a long silence): You will be careful, Ernest my boy, won't

He was, and his successors were too.

After Supper and A. E. W. Mason in the twenties, their authors included Leslie Charteris, creator of the Saint in the thirties and in the forties, Cantain W. E. Johns, creator of Biggles, and Enid Blyton.

They also published many books on cricket. Today they have John Le Carré, James Clavell and former MP turned best seller,

Jeffrey Archer. The New English Library brings them (among others) Harold Robbins and Irvin Shaw as well as Robert Heinlein in science fiction. The alliance of piety and pul-chritude, of brotherly love and lust is

stronger than ever.

In the language of money that Hodder knows so well, New English Library brings the group sales of around f6m. In its best years it is understood to have made modest profits, but can hardly be making them now. The price is 52.4m after elimination of New English Library

Hodder, despite its stress on paper-backs which have done better than hardbacks in the slump, saw profits halved to around £710,000 in the year to March 1980 and are unlikely to be good now. Clearly its existing turnover of £19m can support more profit when the going gets better Meanwhile its stays rough.

Peter Wainwright

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PRICE CHANGES



Food output challenge in Latin America

Latin America will have to double its energy output over the next 10 years and produce nearly half as much again of food as it does now, if it is to meet the challenge of its increasing population, the presi-dent of the Inter-American Development Bank, Mr Antonio Ortiz Mena, said in Madrid

Speaking at the start of the 22nd annual meeting of the bank's board of governors. Mr Ortiz Mena said that Latin America would need financial help from industrialized countries outside the region.

"The magnitude of the financial needs of the region and of the tasks facing Latin America, particularly in the energy sector, are well beyond the capability of existing mechanisms for generating and iransferring financial and tech-nical resources", he said.

The annual meeting was the first beld outside the western hemisphere since the bank was founded in 1959.

Mr Ortiz Mena said that in each year of this decade nearly 3.7 million new workers would enter the Latin American labour market. Unemployment rates would range from 35 to 50 per cent in many countries. "The fundamental challenge in the social field today is to create new job opportunities," he said.

Iran trucks plant

Japan's Nissan Motor Co and Toyo Kogyo Co plan to start assembling small trucks in Iran again after the lifting in Jan-

Oil search rethink

Because of the increasing cost of searching for oil, Australia may reexamine its policy on foreign participation, Mr Al Grivetti, vice president of Conoco Incorporated Petroleum Exploration, said. At present, the government requires companies in this sector to be at least 50 per cent Australian-controlled.

Krupp plant for Egypt A United States subsidiary of Fried Krupp, the West German steel and heavy industrial group, is to construct a cement plant in Egypt worth more 200mDeutschemarks

The Polysius Corporation of America, a subsidiary of Krupp Polysius, a heavy installations company belonging to the Krupp group, received the order from the Suez Cement

China assures Japan

China has assured a visiting Japanese mission, representing five large companies, that it will take delivery of plant ordered from Japan rescinding its earlier decision to cancel orders under its suspension of modernisation projects.

Mr Masao Sakurai, leader of the mission said that China would now live up to its contracts with Japanese firms and take delivery of plant already

W German steel output

West German crude steel production in March rose 12.1 per cent to 3.83 million tons from February, according to preliminary figures released by the Federal Statistics Office. Crude steel production in the first quarter of 1981 stood at 10.43 million tons, off 10.1 per cent from the first quarter figure of

Far East oil find

China and Japan have struck oil in the southern part of Eohai Bay, the Japan-China Oil Development Corporation said. The company said it discovered promising oil reserves in the first test drilling in an area about 190km off Tientsin.

Canadian car imports The Canadian wing of the United Auto Workers union wants Canada to halve Japanese car imports by applying a quota and shelving planned cuts in car import tariffs.

French prices rise

France's retail prices rose 1 per cent in March to give a year on year gain of 15.8 per cent, according to figures from the Confederation Generale du

Optimistic consumers American consumers are more optimistic about future business. and employment prospects, a survey showed yesterday. But it found that consumers remain canerally unimpressed business conditions.

Chile sells up

Chile will return eight stateowned companies to private unership this year, either fully or partly, in line with its policy el scrapping government mon-replies and restrictions to private enterprise.

Joint Gulf industry Saudi Arabia and Qatar have

Forecasters at odds on the pound FORECASTS FOR EFFECTIVE STERLING EXCHANGE RATE

Miscalculation of sterling value could jeopardize inflation strategy

exchange markets in recent weeks-with vesterday's reaction to mounting tension over Poland the latest example—clearly illustrates the difficulties of trying to predict what is going to happen to exchange rates in the future. In the past couple of months the most

extraordinary forecasts for the value of the pound over the next two years or so have been published, some of which are shown in the table. Yet, what happens to sterling is of critical importance to the future of British industry and to the Government's economic strategy. After the battering many businesses have received from the 25 per cent rise

in sterling over the past two years, industry will be hoping for a lower exchange rate to improve competitiveness The Government, while publicly acknowledging that sterling is uncomfort-

ably high for industry, will be anxious to avoid a precipitous decline in the exchange rate which would put up prices and place its counter-inflation strategy at Neither side will derive much comfort from the knowledge that two of the most

highly respected forecasting organizations in the country are predicting substantial and diametrically opposed movements in sterling over the next two years. The National Institute of Economic and Social Research, sees the effective exchange rate rising by over 14 per cent between 1980 and 1982, with beneficial effects on the inflation rate. But the Centre for Economic Forecasting at the London Business School predicts a fall of more than 9 per cent over the same period

Percentage change on 1980 on 1981 on 1980

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National Institute of			
Economic & Social			
Research	48.9	+ 4.8	+14.3
Laing & Cruickshank	+8.3	— 0.4	+ 7.9
Economist			
Intelligence Unit	+3.3	Q	+ 3.3
Treasury	Assur	ned unch	nanged
Liverpool Research			-
Group	~ 2.3	+ 1.4	- 0.9
Henley Centre for		•	
Forecasting	+3.7	- 4.5	- 1.0
Confederation of			
British Industry	121	- 4.1	- 1.8
Maxwell Stamp		~ 6.7	
		— 7.1	
Forex			
Phillips & Drew	0	- 7.2	- 7.2
London Business			
School	+2.5	-11.7	- 9.3

rate to remain unchanged (from an unspecified level) over the next 18 months. Getting the future value of sterling wrong can make a substantial difference to forecasts for output, trade, company profits and inflation.

Cambridge Econometrics, the commercial arm of the University of Cambridge Growth Project (not to be confused with Wynne Godley's Cambridge Economic cy Group), recently estimated that over three years a 10 per cent drop in the value of the pound would boost output by 3 per cent (mainly through its effects in. boosting exports), save 400,000 jobs and swell company profits by £2,000m, A devaluation of this order might also add The Treasury, in its forecast accom- 3 to 4 percentage points to the Retail panying the Budget, assumes the exchange Price Index.

ness, international interest rate differen tials and countries balance of payments positions have all been advanced at varying times as the principal explanations of currency movements. On all these counts the pound might be expected to fall in the coming year or so.

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But Britain's self-sufficiency in oil means that the pound is likely to benefit from increases in oil prices. Mr John Kay, of the Institute for Fiscal Studies, said recently that oil had already pushed up the pound's value by some 30 per cent.

Some economists—termed international monetarists—who include the London Business School's Centre for Economic Forecasting and Professor Alan Walters, Mrs Thatcher's economic adviser, believe that the exchange rate reacts to the tight ness or laxness of monetary policy and this too is taken into account in a number of forecasts.

The recent track record of exchange rate forecasters has nevertheless been pretty dismal. They are just not very good at predicting market behaviour which de pends crucially on expectations and sentiment, and on political as well as economic events. None of the leading forecasters, the Treasury, included, foresaw the huge rise in the pound over the past two years.

It is little wonder that ministers and officials in the Treasury and Bank of England are looking with increasing interest at the relative stability seemingly offered by membership of the European Monetary System.

Fixing the exchange rate, whatever its other consequences, would at least remove a worrying source of uncertainty for those who have to take decisions about our economic future.

Frances Williams

Chemical industry seeks change in policies to avert 'disaster'

Industrial Editor Britain's chemical industry leaders yesterday urged the Government to change its policies and save the industry from " disastrous " short-term

future.
Chemical companies, which have shed more than 20,000 jobs over the past 12 months and said that thousands more were threatened this year, stressed that unless radical short-term changes were made, theindustry would be unable to grasp future opportunities.

The warning comes in a detailed survey from the Chemical Industry Economic Development Committee (Little Neddy)

issued by its chairman, Lord Allen of Fallowfield. The industry, which claims to be the country's most suc-

and to be the largest single contributor to the balance of payments, was unable to cope alone, according to this survey. Factors cited by the tripar-tite committee for the in-dustry's present malaise in-cluded "grave problems" of uncompetitive costs stemming

the slump in the home market expensive energy and reduced cash flow. In what amounted to one of the toughest demands for the Government to modify its economic policies, the survey said that ministers should recognize the strength of the

from the high value of sterling,

and its long-term Action was necessary to re-

duce the energy cost disadvan-tages of United Kingdom chemical companies and improve their international com petitiveness by ensuring that gas prices to the industry were no higher than those applying generally in the EEC. Tariffs for large electricity consumers operating at high load factor should be reviewed, and the £8-per-tonne tax on heavy fuel oil should be removed, the committee said.

It urged the Government to

maintain its pressure on the United States Administration for early deregulation natural gas prices, and stated that natural gas used as a feed stock by United Kingdom chemical companies should be internationally priced. Chemicals, Contraction Chemicals, Contract Growth, NEDO Books.

Engineering 'starved of orders'

By Edward Townsend The plight of Britain's engineering industries has been confirmed in the latest government statistics which show that factories are being starved of orders and hit by steadily de-clining home sales and exports. At the end of 1980, total sales by the engineering in-dustries were down by 3 per cent on 1979 while the volume of orders-on-hand dropped by

12 per cent. A recent report, published by the Engineering Employers' Federation, forecast that, for the mechanical engineering sector, export orders would continue to decline in 1981 after last year's drop of 18 per cent and that a modest upturn in business would not occur until

Little hope for improvement in retail sales

By Derek Harris Commercial Editor

Two new analyses of likely retail trade performance this year—one from the Retail Consortium-continue to take a gloomy view of overall pros-pects for this year, but a modest profits growth in food

retailing is thought possible. Widening of gross margins in food retailing, mainly arising say. from the development by so many multiples of their fresh food ranges, is forecast by Phillips & Drew, the London brokers, in their latest retail

commentary.

The Phillips & Drew argument has become a familiar one within the trade but it is not necessarily decisive. Given the commitment of the multiples to expensive store building programmes, mostly of super-

stores, the sector can hardly afford a new price war, Phillips & Drew say.

In 1982, after a "modest widening of gross margins this year, the stores sector could be expected to widen such margins further. This would seem neces-sary given the substantial erosion of net margins in the past three years, the brokers

Widened gross margins this year arising from the bigger switch to fresh foods have also been looked for in the trade. Gross margins on fresh food are often more than double those in packaged groceries and alcoholic drinks, roceries and alcoholic drinks, which produce 10 per cent or ess gross margins, according o one of the big multiples.

The Retail Consortium, in its mounced that as well as making next year. which produce 10 per cent or less gross margins, according to one of the big multiples.

latest report, states: "Retailers price cuts on a range of packwill not fare well in 1981. The competition for limited con-sumer spending will be intense at a time when costs are continuing to rise. Profitability will suffer." The question being asked in

the trade is how long such margins can last now that so many multiples are increasing their commitment to fresh foods. Delicatessen and fresh fruit

gross margins of up to 25 per cent compared with 18 per cent and 12 per cent from frozen foods and dairy products respectively. But fresh fish can produce gross margins of about

aged groceries the price of meat is to be cut by 10 per cent

Tesco, among those multiples which has moved increasingly into fresh food, has already in-dicated that in its view the period of deep discounting as a key tool in trading is nearing its end. The company will shortly announce a new sales campaign to succeed that of Operation Checkout, the price-cutting policy that boosted their market share after Tesco dropped trading stamps.

Store profits, probably down nearly 10 per cent last year, are unlikely to be better than maintained this year in the overall retail sector, forecast Phillips & Drew. But there could be strong profits growth

tive Development Agency. Mr Peter Rees in his inno-Mr Peter Rees in his inno- London, SW6. cence appears to imagine that April 3.

Sir. The Government have just

published a White Paper on bio-

technology (notable in its use of large amounts of biomass

ather than for any positive con-

tribution it makes) suggesting

that industry in the United Kingdom should provide re-sources for the development of

that science in this country.

was therefore aghas; to read in The Sunday Times of March 29

that Grand Metropolitan Hotels

had made a contribution of £4.4m to the coffers of Biogen,

a Swiss based research organi-

zation. While I have a great re-

spect for the scientists and people of Biogen, there are a

number of laboratories in the

United Kingdom active in var-

ous areas of biotechnology who

Archbishop's attack on the City's role

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

perks given to Archbishops. The City is also not just about From Mr Peter H. G. Cadbury Sir, I believe I am not alone in takeovers and money markets. being astonished by the general nature of the Archbishop of An increasing role for the City is, for example, working with third world countries to raise finance and advise on projects London, and those who work in it, contained in his Lenten address broadcast last Sunday. The theme of his address was the Commandment, "Thou shalt not steal", and his message was that in this address the activity designed to improve the economies of developing countries. Admittedly, such work is rarely conducted for charitable purposes, but if the result is a prothat, in this context, the activiect which will provide employties of those who work in the ment and a higher standard of City can be equated with the Great Train Robbers, both being equally guilty of stealing, living to the people of a poor country, as well as assisting its balance of payments, then but, whereas the Train Robbers surely this is at least as effective as preaching about the third world from the security of received long jail sentences, the Archbishop implied that City workers receive honours and rea cathedral pulpit. spect from the community for their dishonest acts. What A major reason why the City categorized the Archbishop's

stands pre-eminent in the financial world, at present, stems from the impartiality of the advice and the high standard attack, however, was that he did not single out for censure those who committed white col-lar crimes such as insider dealof business ethics for which the City can justifiably be ing, but instead he chose to proud. Of course, there will always be people who fall short of these standards, just as even make a general attack on the To the Archbishop, the City a few clergymen may also prove wanting. However, if the Church of England wishes to appears to exist just to manipulate money markets and to make takeover bids for the cast out as thieves all who work benefit of the employees of City organizations. In fact, the chief in the City, then it is comfort-ing to know that there are beneficiaries from takeovers other Christian sects, such as the Quakers, who will welcome them, and who can demonstrate that business life and Christian ethics can still coexist. Unlike the Archbishop, they, at least, do still believe that to strill believe that to strill believe that to strill believe that the strip we feet high moral services. are, of course, the shareholders of public companies, who to an increasing extent are institu-tions such as the Church Com-missioners and the Central Board of Finance. The Archbishop clearly does not appreciate that, like any other pro-fessional adviser, those who adafter high moral standards in business or commercial life remains a worthy and vise on takeovers are normally Christian deal, oaid a straight salary in no way Yours faithfully P. H. G. CADBURY,

linked to the outcome of a particular transaction, and any other benefits they receive probably fall far short of the

Incentives for industrial cooperatives

Fram Mr Paul Derrick

Sir, Mr John Hands is surely right in arguing that industrial cooperatives should be encour-aged; so why does the Chan-cellor discriminate against them and discourage them from ploughing back as high a pro-portion of earnings as the companies with which they compete?

York's attack on the City

City's legitimate activities.

When a company ploughs back its earnings it can issue bonus shares to its shareholders without tax liability at the time and they participate in the growth of assets. Since 1978 it can also issue bonus shares to its workers free of tax—up to £500 worth a year in 1978 with the limit increased to £1,000 in 1980. The members of an industrial cooperative are both its shareholders and its workers; but if an industrial cooperative issues bonus shares to its worker members they are liable rate. This kind of discrimination distorts competition and this Government claims that it tries to avoid doing this.

Mr Nigel Lawson claimed on July 3 last that the 1978 tax concession with regard to the issue of shares to workers could apply to industrial coopera-tives; but some minor changes are needed in the 1978 Finance Act if it is so to apply. The Treasury appears unwilling to make these adjustments in spite of a request from the Co-opera-

Funds for biotechnology

because the return paid on co-operative shares is limited so that they do not appreciate in value it therefore follows that the worker members of an industrial cooperative have no incentive to identify themselves with the enterprise for which they work and which they also

Such naivety is incredible. In fact, of course, the worker has much greater incentive to identify himself with the enterprise for which he works in an industrial cooperative than in any employee shareholding scheme. He owns the enterprise and shares in its fortunes in proportion to work contributed. The Mondragon cooperatives have shown how workers' participation in the growth of assets can encourage high investment; but the British Government ooses to discriminate against industrial cooperatives and penalize the workers own enterprises by effectively excluding them from the 1978 con-cession with regard to tax liability when shares are issued to workers. Mr Rees should study the way in which indusrial cooperatives are taxed in France. The Mondragon co-operatives have suggested that the same kind of arrangements should apply throughout the

Yours sincerely, PAUL DERRICK, 30 Wandsworth Bridge Road.

country for the next ten years.

panies from there.

Institute Director,

Wolfson Institute of

of coal fires From Dr S. J. Peerless

probably produced an earlier return through commercializa-tion. Half the figure put up by Grand Metropolitan would have set up most of the big university radioactivity released small quantities of ur and thorium together their "daughter prod biotechnology operations in this So much for the Government asking United Kingdom industry to invest in developing science in their own country. The cyuical logic is that those of us with large contract re-search operations in United Kingdom universities should decamp to Geneva or Zurich, and apply to United Kingdom comto clean the discharge. more radioactivity than average nuclear station

similar capacity.

Before any large increase coal-burning is undertaken this country, it would surel wise to carry out similar culations for British coal exhaust-treatment plant

the very large quantities chemical pollutants dischar by coal-fired stations. Mos your readers will still rem ber the atmospheric po of pre-nuclear days. Coal be ing has been improved s then, of course, partly by an improvements in improvements in estimated in cleaning partly by the side

expedient of spread tion over a wider area taller exhaust stocks. In this respect at least, large long-term increase in burning would be a retrog movement. Coal surely has important place in our ful energy economy, but as a mical feedstock and part larty as a basis for liquid ! production, rather than 85 input to the comparativ crude processes occurring

Yours faithfully. S. J. PEERLESS.

Quick-setting cement aid to mining safety within three years. A federation

A novel form of cement anchor for roof bolts used in coal mining is to be manufac-tured in Britain by Commer-cial Plastics Special Products of Blyth, Northumberland, a Unilever company.

Dr Peter Stefanini, managing director, claims that "its arrival will revolutionize the whole area of strata control and reinforcement ".

Roof bolting is the bonding together of the strata to achieve greater stability of the pit roof. In some countries it is used as the principal means of roof support; in Britain it is used as a secondary means of

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Earlier methods have in-cluded mechanical roof bolts with expansion shells, which led to very high local stresses: and polyester resin cartridges, which give full-column anchorage but are flammable and expensive.

The new product, known as Cemicron 2000, is based on a patented process developed at the South West Research Institute of San Antonio. Texas. It is a cartridge which contains a high-strength, quick-setting cement.

Dr Stefanioi explained: "The unique feature is that the water equired to activate the cement is already contained in the cartridge in a micro-encapsulated form.

"The action of the roof balt or dowel causes rupture of the microcapsules which liberates nater, forming a smooth paste. This allows the bolt to pass to the back of the hole. The grout then sets hard to provide firm anchorage.

A solid roof can be achieved in under half a minute, if re-

Energy projects More than 400 research,

development and demonstra-tion projects in the field of renewable energy in Britain are described in a report com-

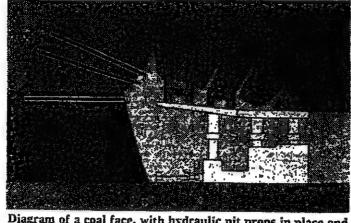


Diagram of a coal face, with hydraulic pit props in place and roof bolts drilled into unsupported rock.

It is the third part of a series on energy research and development whose earlier sections covered energy conservation, and energy topics in

the social sciences. Solar energy takes up 111 pages in the report, while hydropower fills only four. Other subjects covered, in order of number of projects, are ave energy, tidal energy, ind energy, biofuels, geothermal energy and the Third World sector, and hydrogen. The Third World category includes biofuels, hydro-elec-tric. solar. ind and other

systems. Substantial work has already been completed on reesarch ou the proposed Severn tidal barrage, the register discloses.
Aspects covered include general consultancy, energy output studies, the turbogenerator studies, caisson studies, embankments, navigation, data collection, sediment studies, ecology, numerical modelling, physical models and economic

studies,

The importance attached to wave energy is also indicated by the large number of projects and the relatively large amounts of money involved. In solar energy, a variety of approaches to photovoltaic solar-cell research are reported. Individual investigators, the

published yesterday by the are sponsored by the Depart-Department of Energy. ment of Energy; other official sponsors include the Overseas Development Administration, Department of Industry, Science Research Council, and the European Community. Energy: a register of research, development and demonstration in the United Kingdom. Part 3. Renewable energy. (Available from HMSO, £16.).

Micro Workshop

An impartial source of advice for small businesses interested in adopting microcomputers is available in London with the opening yesterday by the National Computing Centre of its first Micro Workshop, An offshoot of the NCC's

recently formed Microsystems Centre division, the workshop o lers a range of services for the prospective user of microbased systems. There is a comprehensive bookshop: do-it-vourself computer-based information service covering available machines, software packages and suppliers; a selection of representative microcomputers which can be tried working on real problems; and professional advice from staff consultants.

With the support of the Department of Industry, the workshop also offers training courses and a subscription service which gives preferential access to Microsystems Centre facilities. Mr Derek Scriven, Saudi Archia and Qatar nate started joint projects to are described in a report com- sponsors of the director of the centre, sand that develop their petrochemical piled by the Energy Technology the costs are listed in the director of the centre, sand that director of the centre of the cent

with other organizations is planned. A second Micro Workshop is to be set up in Manchester later this year, and others are expected to follow. The range of prices of the systems demonstrated at the London workshop (11 New Fetter Lane, London EC4A 1PU, telephone

A microprocessor-based system for measuring and classify-ing leather bides at the "wet ranned" stage of processing has been developed by Edward Wilson & Son, Liverpool-based suppliers of leather processing equipment. Known as Photo scan, the system automatically measures the area and thickness of the hides and, in conjunction with an assessment of quality which is entered manually via an operator's keyboard. enables them to be classified into batches.

At the heart of the system is a Texas Instruments micro-processor using bubble mem-ories to store the production control data. Software was developed by Triad Computing Systems, London, under con-tract to Wilsons; a prototype system in 1979 was followed by an improved version last year. Installations for tanners in the United States, Germany and the United Kingdom have already been completed.

Design deal

of Dalton Viewing and Whitsey (DVW), a technical consultance which has designed a variety of microcomputer-based prod

These products have included director, claimed yesterday that electronic systems designed by

01-353 0013) is from about £1,500 to about £10,000.

Classifying leather

Allied International Designers, the design and market research group, has acquired 90 per cent of the share capital

industrial control equipment, machine tools and consumer goods including television David Viewing, DVW managing our seven designers accounted for almost half the microprocessors used in products man-ufactured in Britain last year".

Biotechnology, University of Sheffield. could have made excellent use The challenge of selling

Sir, I recently suffered similar experiences to those of Mr James Pilditch. (April 3).

I was in the market for a new

car in the middle of February and called at the showrooms of the two principal franchise holders for a large British manufacturer. In both cases, I had to hang about looking at models on display for some ten or so minutes before I was approached by a member of staff. I described my require-ments as to model, colour, etc. Both salesmen (so-called)

told me that they could not offer delivery in less than four months. I indicated that I required the car now. No effort was made by either man to interest me in anything else from a very wide range or to see if any other dealer in the country had what I wanted in stock. It seems that, generally, these motor car salesmen are merely order-takers.

In contrast, I walked the few yards to the used car department of the second dealer. Here, the young man who attended to me could not have Kenneth Owen been more helpful.

car if he could and he did. spent some three thousand pounds less than I had intended and came away with a very nice car, a different model, but well satisfied with the deal I had been able to do.

Before my retirement, I was frequently involved in selling in the wholesale fruit and vegetable trade. Any potential customer was a challenge. He might give the impression that what I was offering did not interest him, but he simply had to go in my sales ticket book. he did not then I was falling down on the job and not doing my best for my employer. Incidentally, I was not paid on a commission basis.

Mr Pilditch's last paragraph sums it all up. Its not all unions and restrictive practices that have brought us to our present sorry state. What we need is more people doing the job for which they are paid and doing it well. Yours faithfully,

E. H. WHITE, 72 Orchard Hill, Little Billing Northampton NN3 4AG

More cost effective iob creatio

Sir, J: was most encou learn from vous today "Chipmakers chas funds April 1) the Department of Industry ing City institutions to indigenous technology

remains to be seen a

banking and other hou

ready to alter policie practice on which the thrived for many years is better than overdepe on inward investment means of creating weal A company, complete central services, drawn development area or en zone is always welcome, in this case it is likely t from elsewhere in the Kingdom, presumably a other area's expense. I national viewpoint, investment suggests th

source is overseas and t development a branch of more questionable be There must be mor. effective ways of job co Nor only are the brantories costly in terms of times quite remarkable ments and the spre geographically competing try-attraction agencies, the tier, but also and more tant, branch factorie tant, branch factorie usually the first to cl times of trouble.

Of course, there hav notable successes, IB Greenock for example; history of branch-factor ures is disturbing and control of the study, from Joy Manufa (Inverciyde 1977) to (Tyne and Wear 1981) with parent companies United States. More experience is not

able and it is clear that has given careful thou the choice of Britain base in Europe. On the the announcement, co was cautious, with only ward glance (one e slightly raised) at the sliocated to BL a day before. More pertinent the reports that followed afterwards. First, there came a rei to industrial action, in

at the impending closs BL's plant in Belgiu Seneffe: and then the that Peugeot-Citroen planning to withdraw Linwood, lopping the branch, as Carlyle may said, to preserve the There is a nice irony choice of Talbot for the company's United Ki marque. Brought up on

court and Creev, few remember Castillon, wh large English army was t and destroyed, It was the battle in the Hundred War when, apart from hold in Calais, the E were finally driven o France. The name of defeated commander, h killed in the action ?-Sir

Talbot.

PETER WARD,

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Radioactivity

Sir, One important fact re to the general discussic energy policy now proce seems not yet to be v appreciated. I refer to coal is burned. Coal coal " daughter produ Although the proportion these substances are ex-ingly small, because of enormous quantities of consumed by a power so the absolute quantities of I activity released to the sphere are significant. actual amount depends of source of the coal and efficacy of the equipment servative estimates ind that a typical American fired station emits many t

These radioactive dischare, of course, in addition

modera even power stations.

Department of Metalengineering College of Scient and Technology. Exhibition Road, London SW7 2BX March 31, 1981.

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

As sterling begins to falter...

ncern over the Polish situation partly plained the movement of European funds o the dollar yesterday. But it was not the y reason. Dollar interest rates were ner again, and last Friday's disappointing ited States wholesale price figures will port the view that interest rates may isolidate around present levels for the

gotid.

More con

ment.
Meanwhile, sterling's weakness, at the ment is not simply a reflection of a onger dollar. The pound faltered against er major currencies too as speculation reased that March banking figures due ay could justify an early reduction in

Vhether that will prove the case will be ner this afternoon but in the domestic rket at least there is a wide range of ws as to what the Bank of England will e to say about the indicated growth of ling M3 in March. They vary from a fail per cent to a rise of 11 per cent.

un outcome towards either end of that

ge could have a significant impact on gilt-edged market. The market, as I gested yesterday, is not quite sure where s going at the moment, and the March olesale price figures will not have helped nake up its mind.

ghland Distilleries

ost-Budget ingover

in The Famous Grouse brand has been ble to prevent profits tumbling earthds at Highland Distilleries. The indushas been sent reeling under the effects recession and customer destocking.

nterim profits are down almost a fifth £2.46m while an 8 per cent fall at the interest level after a 16 per cent sales rease shows what has happened to

It home, at least, The Famous Grouse tinues to reverse the industry trend. ume has increased by a tenth : market re in England has risen by perhaps two nts to 8 per cent. But exports fell 20 cent although there has been a 7 per t increase in the first three months of calendar year which suggests an end

he United States destocking phase. ut Highland has been particularly hard by a slump in sales of new fillings and we malts reflecting action by the big iders to minimize stock financing in the of a possible slump in demand this r of as much as 10 per cent.

leanwhile, in the eerie silence in the illing trade following the 60p-a-bottle lget increase, Highland reports its disries are operating at just over 50 per t of capacity. Prospects that could prove as retailers' pre-Budget stocks are

earing meanwhile, remains fairly sonable although interest charges bled to £584,000 at the six months stage capital spending dropped by two-thirds ing the period.

rofits this year could reach £5m against m and the shares, having underperned the market by almost 50 per cent to the Hiram Walker bid for the group blocked last year, now seem to be istic. Down 1p to 96p yesterday they r a likely p/e ratio of around 13 rising lmost 25 on a full-taxed basis and yield per cent assuming the final payment, the interim, is only maintained.

owever, there must be hope that by the of this year Highland will scent suffit recovery in the industry to increase yment which was 12 times covered by year's earnings on a current cost basis.

dent Television

othing can certain

ent and the Independent Broadcasting ority have been at each other's throats since the group was ordered to give control of its two franchise areas, shire and Tyne Tees, when the new acts were allocated at the end of last

e delay suggests that there are still us problems over the two contracts and te Trident's assertions in its latest al report that it has arrived at proposals 1 should enable it to meet the IBA's line this week, shareholders should not ne that Trident's arguments, particuover the financial viability of shire, have forced the IBA to see the of its ways.

According to the annual report, Trident is hoping to retain a 20 per cent interest in the two franchises along with a revenue base from the hiring out of its studios. But the rub lies in trying to decide what value the floated off companies can command floated off companies can command.

Trident has been arguing forcibly that Yorkshire cannot stand on its own feet without being subsidized by the smaller Tyne Tees region although as other interests have shown enthusiasm for coming in Trident's tune seems to have changed recently. Certainly any prospectus for Yorkshire would make unexciting reading tostrictly commercial investors with the

industry as a whole, even before the Fourth Channel burden, looking at a 1982 loss. On last year's profits, the two franchises would probably have a stockmarket value of £15m which along with cash balances and its ancillary activities earning over £2m suggests that the shares at 47p, against a net worth of 551p, are holding little hostage to fortune. But that assumes Trident will reach an accommodation with the IBA over contracts, and, as Southern discovered, nothing is certain.

Mr Michael Ashcroft has now done what he has been promising to do for at least a year by producing plans for a merger of his two quoted companies, Hawley Leisure and Provincial.

That will be effected by an offer in Hawley equity for Provincial, the outcome if the deal goes through being a new group with interests ranging through sports goods, amusement machines (a big earner for Hawley now) and building maintenance, including laundries which is Provincial's original business.

In essence, this amounts to a tidying up of Mr Ashcroft's quoted interests (and some of his private ones, too, since there are also going to be terms for buying out his family controlling stake in Michael A. Ashcroft Services a merger broking business for £235,000) preparatory to something even

That point was not lost on the market. Shares in Pritchard Services, another industrial services group, in which Provincial holds a 21 per cent stake following a " dawn

raid" last year rose by 3p to 166p. On a pro-forma basis Mr Ashcroft's proposed new Hawley Group would be valued in the market at not far short of £40m, while Pritchard is worth £50m. Mr Ashcroft's ambition may be to close that gap and then launch a bid for Pritchard whose board has shown little enthusiasm for this 36-year-old new wave" entrepreneur. It refused to take him on as a director.

'Bulldog' bonds

Now Mexico tests the water

The depth of the re-awakened "bulldog' market is about to be put to its biggest test yet. Within the next few days the Pemex, Mexico's state-owned oil company, is due to launch a £50m long-dated bond issue, managed by Lloyds Bank International, in the domestic United Kingdom market.

Since the sterling foreign bond market was re-opened last year by Denmark issues have been arranged by Iceland and Sweden. Finland is reported to be planning a deal, along with some of the world's leading cor porations, including IBM, and some French nationalized industries.

Indeed, the queue run by the Bank of England is said to be full for the next three months or so. In this kind of company, how will the institutions respond to a Mexican

borrower? If the international credit markets are anything to go by there should be no diffi-

While Denmark and Sweden have been losing favour because of the parlous state of their economies, Mexico has been winning friends because of its oil resources.

It now borrows from banks on terms almost as good as the Scandinavians can show the state of the sta losing favour because of the parlous state obtain. Some bankers consider Pemex to

be an even better credit than the Mexican The issue's acceptability will depend on the margin of advantage it offers over comparable gifts; however, Sweden's suc-

cessful recent deal gave three quarter per

cent and has since been trading at a narrower margin. But that issue was short-dated and, as such, brought in foreign as well as domestic buyers. Long maturity issues have little attraction for typical international investors and Pemex may have to follow the example of Iceland, which paid a 1 per cent premium, if it wants a success.

Patrick Minford

A dangerous and dishonest game

The 364 " Keynesians " who signed last week's statement attacking the govern-ment's handling of the economy have forgotten some salient facts, which would not have escaped their master. The public sector accounts in 1932, the trough of the Great Depression, appear to have been in significant financial surplus when adjusted for the economic cycle (ie, after deducting the effects of the cycle on revenue and social expenditures). The money supply had grown at less than 1 per cent a year and prices had fallen by more than 2 per cent a year over the previous five years. So Keynes could rightly observe that the actual deficit could be in-creased with no threat to (indeed restoration of) price stability.

Today the public sector still has a massive borrowing requirement when adjusted for the cycle—in the fiscal year 1979-80 about 5 per cent of gross domestic product and in 1980-81 about 4 per cent. This has been sustaining high inflation. But the budget for 1981-82, if plans are fully carried out, will cut this percentage to about 1 per cent of gdp and lay the basis for permanently lower inflation, even eventual price stability.

While one can write pages of algebra and estimate scores of statistical relationships, the essentials of the infla-tionary process are simple. It starts when a government, unwilling to cover

when a government, unwiting to coverits expenditure by overt taxation,
borrows from the public.

As interest rates rise, in order to
induce the public to lend, political
pressures develop to hold them down.
Lending to the government from the public slows down and the central bank has to lend the difference, which, of course, it does by increasing the supply of money.

During the early stages output usually rises, as extra monetary demand is met by producers whose expectations of inflation have not yet altered and who therefore think that rising prices offer them higher real returns. Expected inflation will soon locrease, however, as information both about the policies and actually rising prices becomes widely known. This causes prices to rise faster and output to fall back.
At some point the increase in the

rate of growth of money supply and so of monetary demand is entirely accounted for by an equal increase in uflation and output has dropped right bark to where it would have been.

This description is widely accepted hy serious students of macroeconomics. True, there have been-and persistdifferences of view in particular about time lags and the interaction of fiscal and monetary influences. These differences ironically have been as great



Last week a group of prominent economists published an attack on the Government's strategy In this article a leading monetarist argues that the critics are wrong

or even greater within the ranks of monetarists" than between them and Keynesians". But the economists who have developed this general line of thinking include as many Keynesians as monetarists. Indeed, the mechanism named after a Keypesian, A. W. Phillips, who taught at the Lordon School of Economics in the fifties.

Yet part (A) of the statement by the 4, on which the other parts are essen-364, on which the other parts are essentially based, explicitly rejects this mechanism in stating that "deflating demand" will not "bring inflation permanently under control" and thereby induce "an automatic recovery in output and employment". For, of course, that is precisely what the same mechanism asserts when the process of deficit and money creation is put into deficit and money creation is put into reverse, as the present Government is

Charity dictates that we interpret this rejection by 364 economists as an unintentional lapse; otherwise would make nonsense of their professional work.

To carry out this reversal of the inflationary process, to break the inflation psychology, political courage and determination of a high order are necessary because of the short-term pressures that are generated—the strong vested interests on the expenditure side, the unpopularity of higher taxes, the temporary misery of the initial recession. At a certain point in the process the siren voices murmuring easy options can become irresistible; the minds of Ministers, untrained in economics, can hardly be blamed in economics, can hardly be blamed for being easily seduced. But hardheaded professionals require our most severe censure if they back such non-

One such suggestion is that instead of reducing inflation we should stabilize it as its existing level and "live with it". Yet recent studies have come up with very large costs for this option (e.g. Feldstein in 1979 for the United States, G. W. Hilliard and myself in 1978 for the United King-

myself in 1978 for the United Kingdom), costs which appear to be far higher than any transitional loss of output that could be involved in eliminating inflation.

The more popular easy options are reflation to increase output, with incomes policy to prevent inflation, a view usually backed by the glib assertion that the economy suffers from widespread "marker failure", This is the route both of some clever general the route both of some clever general equilibrium theorists and of others who are utterly ignorant of modern macroeconomics. But a convincing theoretical
account of an economy which would
respond as hoped to these policies has
yet to be constructed.

The evidence is brutal. Incomes poli-The evidence is brutal. Incomes poncies have broken down repeatedly since 1960, leaving no trace on the inflation rate. Reflation has been followed by inflation and output has continued to rise slowly, with the massive extra demand (e.g., real disposal incomes rose by more than 7 per cent per annum from 1977 to 1979) going into imports. into imports.

The effects of counter-inflationary

policies have been superimposed on the adjustment to North Sea oil and a world recession of broadly the severity of 1974-75. The strains on particular companies and industries in particular companies and industries in the international sector have been intense. But there is no evidence that those with sound long-term prospects are going to the wall. Instead, we have seen rationalization, the reduction of overmanning and a sharp reduction in wage settlements. Indeed, the stock market is now increasing the capitalization of even the hardest hit sectors. In the short run, this process warsens. In the short run, this process worsens unemployment. But, in the long run, unemployment by general agreement can only be eliminated by this and other improvements in competitiveness. Bitter experience has confirmed what monetary theory predicts-that what monetary theory predicts—that devaluation and incomes policies are incapable of raising competitiveness for more than a brief period. It is likely, however, that union power, high labour taxes and social security benefits and a heavily controlled housing market help to create serious unemployment and lower competitiveness.

Economic analysis can help to identify solutions. But the economist who downs tools to sign petitions for apparently political ends is playing a dangerous and dishonest game, even with 363 others

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German newspapers try to break the TV monopoly that to reject this principle

The fight is on to introduce a full-blooded system of commercial television in West Germany, where at present BEC-style public corporations have a broadcasting monopoly.

At the end of February the German newspaper publishers association agreed to join a new European commercial station, to be based in Luxembourg, which plans to start transmitting programmes via its own satellite some time in the middle of 1985. Within a few weeks the associaannounced tion required promised.

The prospects of acquiring a licence to print money are attractive in Germany, too. The new company is being

formed by the private Luxem-bourg radio and television conbourg radio and television con-cern; Compagnie Luxembour-geoise de Telediffusion (CLT), hetter known as RTL, Radio Tele Luxembourg. M Gustava Grass, RTL's general director, offered the German newspaper publishers a 20 per cent stake and the separately organized and North Belgium and the third for West Germany. Ger-many's 30 per cent share is costing DM120m (about

Since 1929 RTL has had the right to use, or to rent out, all the channels and frequencies allocated to Luxembourg by international agreements. It does not charge fees, but its the channels and frequencies allocated to Luxembourg by international agreements. It does not charge fees, but its husiness flourishes nonetheless. In 1979 it had a turnover of about DM370m and made a large aerial would enable a profit of DM57m (£12.1m). It runs five radio programmes—for France and Belgium, West Germany, Britain. The Nether-internal corporations. The property of the Federal Govolve Federal Govo Germany, Britain, The Nether- all the more tempting.

lands and Luxembourg, as well as a television programme that can be seen not only in Luxem-bourg but also in northern France and a large part of Belgium. Overall, RTL caters for 35 million regulars listeners

and viewers. But recently the shareholders,
most of whom are French or
Belgian, have not been spoiled
by large dividends. In 1979 a
total of DM1.36m (about
£289,000) was distributed. Clearly, RTL has been saving up for its ambitious satellite TV project. The total capital pany are put at DM4C0m.

The technology of satellite

television has made enormous strides in recent years. Under existing arrangements some 5,000 transmitters are needed to supply West German house-holds with television. A single satellite, however, can beam television not only to the whole of West Germany, but to an area from the Atlantic to Berlin and from the Alps to southern Sweden. Moreover, the costs are much lower than for conventional transmissionsome experts say only a tenth. A special serial is required to receive satellite television, though, and it is expected that this. will cost about DM1,000

The newspaper publishers are confident that in the longer term this cost, which will undoubtedly be a deterrent to many people, can be avoided. It is expected that despite the

Satellite television, already well established in the United States, would be a novelty in Europe. But it is not only RTL which is busily preparing to introduce it here A company known as Telsat AG has been formed with British participa-tion in Switzerland with the aim of transmitting satellite pro-grammes in German, French and Italian beginning in 1983 or 1984. There is also a German-French agreement to launch a television satellite at the end of 1983. This would enable one of Germany's main networks— Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen

to open a new channel.
What is in the RTL deal for the German newspaper and magazine publishers? It has been agreed that RTL satellite programmes for Germany should limit their advertising time to a single 20-minute period each day. This is in line with the present dosage of advertising administered by each of the two main channels in Germany. It sounds modestthere is no advertising on Ger-man television after 8 pmbut it is very lucrative. Advertising revenue accounts for half the income of the Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen. For years the newspaper

proprietors, faced with con-stantly rising costs, which have led to newspaper closures and an undesirable degree of con-centration, have been bemoan-ing the loss of advertising to the radio and television corporations.

the mild-mannered Stoller left disillusioned by the creative tension, not to say turmoil,

between individual station mem-bers of the AIRC. Donald Brooks, managing director of Radio Orwell in Sheffield and

one of those responsible for Coppen-Gardner's appointment, believes otherwise, however.

"I know the statements you're talking about and they were heavily over-stated. Tony Stoller himself certainly disagrees with a lot that has been

written. If you take any trade association you are going to get a lot of people who disagree all the time."

Coppen-Gardner has no radio

The plan is being heavily contested by the Social Democratic party, the senior partner in the Federal Government, and is heartily disliked by the Chan-cellor, Herr Helmut Schmidt. The Chancellor is already dismayed by the amount of time the average German citizen spends in front of the tele-vision set and once caused a stir by suggesting that people should refrain from viewing on at least one day a week. Now he sees a danger of a tasteless free-for-all and would certainly

ment had no control. The newspaper proprietors argue that West Germany is obliged by international agreement to permit the free flow of information across frontiers and

not welcome a television chan-nel over which the establish-

Union's game. The Chancellor has hinted, however, that the realization of the Luxembourg scheme will take longer than either the publishers or RTL It is pointed out in Bonn that

It is up to the Federal Government to grant the frequencies for radio and television

But it is difficult to see how In the long run the tide can be stemmed. A year ago the Frank-furter Aligemeine Zeitung prophesied that one day Germany would have a choice of 60 television programmes. It looks as if that day has come a step

James Hutchinson

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Business Diary: Was marriage ever out of fashion?

ks to me as if Lord Mac-the Lord Chamberlain, is to snatch defeat from the of victory over this busiof preventing British manufacturers from ex-Prince Charles and

MacArthur, the director British Textile Confederaand unions, is to write to hamberlain today showing oreign manufacturers are y selling textiles in Lon-pearing the royal photo-s and insignia

Arthur wrote complaining d Maclean last week after tter excluded British texfrom a relaxation of the and copyright rules ted to allow makers of souvenirs to commemorate

Chamberlain, I hear. d to the confederation day saying that though fice will help to produce is within the rules, the al ban on the use of royal 25 and insignia stays so s the textiles industry is

is, at a stroke, is undone ie well-meaning work by . Charles to liven up the Family's anachronistic y image. In vain has the a trailed around factories at through turgid Neddy

At stake are jobs and mil-lions of pounds in revenue for a hard-pressed domestic industry. The demand from the public. MacArthur is sav-ing, is for parriotic, rather than saucy, motifs on Tee-shirts, tablecloths, hankies and so cn-Sounds glastly to me, but business is business.

But the Lord Maclean is not a men of business. Chamber-lain since 1971, he is a retired Scots Guards major, former Chief Scout and convener of the Standing Committee of Scot-tish Chiefs. He is also a do-gooder of an Andean scale, but on this occasion he is not doing the British textile industry any

© George Richardson, the chief executive of Oxford University Press, has an embarrassing row on his hands after the delegates

Wallchart

OUR COMPANY

SECURITY OFFICER SUSPECTS THAT THERE IS A

'MOLE' IN THE

ORGANISATION

turned down a don's commissioned manuscript. The don is Anthony Mockler, a research fellow at St Antony's and the work is Haile Selassie's Wars, an abridged translation from a longer work by Mockler published in Italy.

The furious Mockler has now The turious mother has how advertised in The Spectator asking other authors who had their contracts "dishonoured/infringed" by OUP to get in touch with him. He was not available for comment last

night.

Like many publishers now,

CUP is cutting down on titles

published for commercial rea
sons, so other disaffected dons

might rally to his standard.

OUP said last night that Mockler's book was rejected because "the treatment of the subject was academically ". unsuccessful

OF COURSE, HE DIDN'T

TELL ME THAT





Reed Executive, the employment agency, was mindful of the requirements of the press even when announcing a fall in profits of £2.9m to £249,000. They sent us a suitably glum picture of the chairman Alec Reed (left) so that the news would not contrast too sharply with the happy one sent to us before (right). The company were clearly thinking ahead at the photographic session in 1977, when apparently both photographs were taken. (Report, page 20.)

IT WAS TOLD TO ME IN CONFIDENCEY....

The Association of Indepenwithout radio experience. Coppen-Gardner is moving

over from the brewers Courage, where he carries the title of retail trade coordinator, man-

dent Radio Contractors, the trade association of commercial radio stations, has a new chief in Bill Coppen-Gardner, a man

aged houses. He replaces one of the AIRC's founding fathers, Tony Stoller, who quit the stormy post to manage his own smrtion, Radio 210 at Reading. According to some reports.

coppen-Gardner has no radio experience. He is an administrator, organization planner and personnel executive. Brooks says: "We had a lot of applicants, but I wouldn't say it was an easy job to fill. We're quite convinced now we've got the right man." Udderwise: the most unusual complaint received by John Beighton, chief inspector of the Alkali and Clean Air inspec-

torate, in 1979 was from resident" who claimed that the udders of one of his goats had turned black because of fluoride poisoning. The Min of Ag ound nothing and the goat got better of its own accord.

Ross Davies

reporting on hardened 6p to 581p.

from Saga Holidays at 313p.

son & Firth Brown at 24p.

Profit taking saw electricals

come in for an early shakeout,

but jobbers described conditions

as still volatile. GEC shed 10p to 673p, Plessey 5p to 328p, Thorn EMI 2p to 352p, Racal 3p to 378p and Standard Tele-

phone & Cable 10p to 530p. Among second liners favourable

comment added 5p to Office & Electronic at 343p but another

casualty was Sound Diffusion, down 8p to 115p. In banks the big four drifted

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over news and the higher bul-lion prices ensured investors of one or two bright spots.

After contending with a 1p higher at 243p. deluge of small sellers early on, the emergency summit meeting in Prague and the fall in the before closing at 295p. value of sterling. Reports suggesting that the worst of the recession was now over appeared to be disregarded, and most dealers said the FT Index was unlikely to break through its record high this week, as was

earlier predicted. Most of the selling had been absorbed by mid-morning but the index, down 7.3 by 11 am, recovered slightly to 5.2 down an hour later. But news of a sharp fall on Wall Street in the opening hour of business saw the index close 6.1 down at 533.5.

Government securities were in a subdued mood awaiting tomorrow's banking figures, which many hope might be the which many hope might be the prelude to another cut in minimum lending rate within the next couple of weeks. But with sterling weak and the wholesale prices index at the upper end of expectations, prices drifted gently in thin trade. In longs, falls of between £\(\frac{1}{2}\) and £\(\frac{1}{2}\) were recorded while at the shorter end losses extended to £\(\frac{1}{2}\). Little demand was again reported for the new issue Treasury 11\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent 1985, which slipped £\(\frac{1}{2}\) fo £15.

Jobbers in leading industrials

Holdings increased interim profits against a background of high interest rates and tight

Pretax profits in the six months to November 30 rose to £3.75m from £3.15m last time.

Sales advanced to £46m from £44m. The interim gross divi-

dend is lifted 13 per cent to

With the results yesterday

came a forecast for "credit-able" full-year profits from the

chairman, Mr Alan Bryant, Pri-

vate house building enjoyed a

good half year despite the high-er interest rates and shortage of mortgage money. And future trading looked better, he said, with the building societies' suc-

pany expects to make more than 57m for the year to May 31

Fluor launches offer

against £6.5m last year.

mortgage money.

Cha

The first day of the new financial year and further worries over Poland resulted in heavy profit-taking as the second leg of the account began on a dull note.

Among the sectors badly hit were oils and electricals as prices fell sharply. But take-over news and the higher bullion prices ensured in the prospective bullion prices answered in the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit were oils and electricals as prices fell sharply. But take-over news and the higher bullion prices ensured in the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit were oils and electricals as prices answered in the prospective bulling prices answered in the prospective bulling prices answered in the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit were oils and electricals as prices fell sharply. But take-over news and the higher bulling prices answered in the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit was also below the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit was also below to take the tight talks with RJ Reynolds of the fluinted States. Terms for an spread bid clipped 3p from Provincial Laundries at 54p with the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit were oils and electricals as prices fell sharply. But take-over news and the higher bulling prices are taken as the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit was also below to take the tight talks with RJ Reynolds of the fluinted States. Terms for an spread bid clipped 3p from Provincial Laundries at 54p with the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit was to take the tight talks with RJ Reynolds of the fluinted States. Terms for an spread bid clipped 3p from Provincial Laundries at 54p with the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit alks with RJ Reynolds of the sectors of the fluinted States. Terms for an spread bid clipped 3p from Provincial Laundries at 54p with the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit as the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit as the prospective bulling as the sectors badly hit as the prospective bulling as the sectors badly 318p but a bright feature was seen in Bowater, which closed

Shares of Atlantic Resou sentiment was further hir by made their debut on the USM market at 260p and rose to 300p

Acquisition news saw shares of Edinburgh & General Insurauce temporarily suspended at 25p.
News of bid talks saw shares

of Le Vallonet suspended at 43p at the company's request. But shares of Suter Electrical made a welcome return to the market in ex rights form with the ordinary opening at 60p and the new at 19p. The shares were suspended in January at 64p. Also making a return to the trading floor was London &

European, which returned from suspension at 45p after receiv-ing bid terms from Bardsey, 3p higher at 31p. Elsewhere on the bid front. shares of Rothmans Inter-national "B" jumped 5p to 75p in hectic trade still in response to news that the group was in

into the more prosperous south-ern and Thames valley regions has continued. These sales accounted for 40 per cent of

total private home turnover.

high as expected from the south

since the group started afresh with its land bank and acquired

In the Midlands Bryant still builds from its land bank.

Private homes, selling from £25,000 to £100,000, are the

perty market was weak there

has been a steady demand for

Under the terms of the

property at higher prices.

developments.

Profit margins are not yet as

Alva In. Trust (F)
Blantyre Tea (F)
Bryant (I)
Greencoat (I)
Highland Dist (I)
M. Mole (F)
Read Everytim (F)

Bryant Holdings lifts

payout as profits rise

By Margareta Pagano are for 1,700 in the full year— West Midlands housebuilder about the same as in 1979. Bryant's policy of expanding

Some 900 units were built its industrial and commercial during the period and estimates developments.

construction group, has laun group. St Joe's board has ched its cash tender offer for fiercely resisted the takeover.

Sales £m

-(-) 1,36(1.33) 46(44) 0.92(2.03)

politan leapt 12p to 118p after announcing it was in bid talks with First Pennsylvania Mortgage Trust.

Carpets International is get another group whose shares are buoyed up by recovery hopes and bid possibilities. They rose 11p to a 1981 peak of 221p yesterday. Last year the group last 26.4m before tax and missed the dividend, but business abroad should recover well this year. Net asset value is nearly 80 per cent above the share price.

Ahead of a statement on the latest developments in its bid for British Sugar, unchanged at 301p, S & W Berisford retreated op to 2140 while fading bid hopes clipped op from Rear-don Smith "A" at 142p.

Latest results

Earnines

per share 11.04(9.36) 11.9(15.4) 5.6(3.9)

Profits

0.17*(0.15*)

0.44(0.59) 3.72(3.15) 0.05(0.02) 2.46(3.0) 0.13†(0.15†) 0.25(3.16)

lower on sporadic selling with Barclays 5p easier at 396p, National Westminster 9p off at 351p, Lloyds down 7p to Disappointing trading news clipped 5p from Reed Executive at 39p with Highland Distillers 336p and Midland 5p lower at 308p. But hopes of a counter bid pushed Royal Bank of losing 1p to 96p while in builders Bryant Holdings eased 2p to 85p and Taylor Woodrow, land 12p higher at 144p as

time at 657p.

Oils encountered heavy sell-Still reflecting recent figures, E Upton added 4p to 33p and Ely's (Wimbledom) 11p to 216p ing with prices closing at the bottom after the sharp setback on Wall Street. BP tumbled 10p to 370p, Shell 16p to 356p, Ultramar Sp to 473p, Lasmo 21p to 539p, Tricentrol 12p to 270p and Burmah 3p to 151p. At the cheaper end, Berkeley Exploration 53l. with Sharna Ware losing 15p to 133p and Wm Jacks 3p to 20p. Fears of a tax on package holidays looped 10p from Horizon Travel at 247p and 7p from Sagz Holidays at 313p.

Weekend comment boosted
Tozer Kemsley 5p to 58p, Derek
Crouch 6p to 252p, Babcuck
International 3p to 132p, Woodhall Trust 3p to 153p, Newbold
Burton 10p to 56p and 2p apiece
to Dreamland at 25p and Johncom & First Research 22 24p Berkeley Exploration fell 17p to 278p, KCA International 2p to 202p and Marinex 10p to

to 202p and Marinex 10p to 130p. Fears that Exxon might be having second thoughts about the Rundle share project sem Southern Pacific Petroleam plummeting 25p to 63p and Central Pacific Mining 55p to 166p. Gold shares staged a tech-

nical rally helped by the higher bullion price and weak sterling. In spite of the closure of the Cape West Driefontein jumped 63 to 5381, PS Geduld 511 to 5241, Western Deep 611 to 6241 and Buffelsfontein 521 to £221.

At the other end, Western Mining climbed 10p to 319p, Rustenburg 10p to 242p, Sentrust 11p to 379p and Kinross 22p to 632p.

Equity turnover for April 3

was £206.451m (bargains 34,312). Active stocks, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Shell, British Aerospace, GEC, Lamso, BP, Burmah and Cons Gold.

Traditional options: Dealers reported increased activity be cause of the new account. Calls were made in Rothmans Int at 73p, in Delta at 6p and British Land. Puts were arranged in BICC at 16p and Trusthouse

Forte at 13p.
Traded options: A total of 1.007 contracts were made. Lonrho attracted 133, Racal 12, Shell 41, Land Securities 44 and GEC 9.

Reed Executive passes final after second-half loss

One of the country's largest

employment agencies, Reed Executive, yesterday reported a second-half loss, its first ever deficit, as forecast at the interim stage. The final dividend has been

passed, giving a total payment of 2.14p gross. The total last year was 6.3p gross. The shares fell back 5p to 39p.

After first-half pretax profits of £503,000, profits for the year to December 27 are £249,000 against £3.16m in 1979. Turn-

over, however, advanced to £35.6m from £31.9m. Mr Alec Reed, chairman, forecasts that losses will be recorded again this year but

that the group should return to profitability in 1982. Demand for permanent staff fell by 70 per cent at the end of last year and continues to slump. Temporary staff positions, always the first to go. dropped back last April. Small signs of recovery have been seen in demand for temporary traff in the past eight weeks staff in the past eight weeks.
"We think this is enough to show that employers are begin-ning to recruit again but it will be a long while before perman-ent staff are wanted", he said. It is largely a matter of con-

The group's 150 branches— tainly in the South-east mainly have not seen an equivalent number of extra people reg-

Briefly

istering for employment because there is hesitancy in changing

branches left intact. But 5 per cent of the workforce have lost

the £23,000 extraordinary item.

to show some profits this year, and to contribute more significantly in 1982. Seven branches were opened in 1979, two last year and another is due to be completed this year,

Western Scientific Instruments has resident BOC aviation business from Medisheld Corporation, a subsidiary of BOC International. Consideration involved in transaction is not material to relation to net assets of BOC or Western Scientific.

Allied International Designers Group has acquired 90 per cent of issued share capital of Dalton Viewing and Whitsey for £30,500. Dalton designs special programmes for micro chips and designs and develops microprocessor-based products for improving perfor-mance in both industrial equip-ment and consumer goods.

Merger cleared in accordance with recommendation of director gen-eral of fair trading the Secretary of State for Trade has decided not to refer the merger of LA Industrial Investments and Central Manufacturing and Trading Group to the Monopolies Commission.

Manufacturing and Trading Group to the Monopolies Commission.

Manufacturing and Tradings: Turnover for 1980 £1.36m (£1.33m). Pretax profit £445,500 (£599,000). Earnings per share, net basis (15.4p), mi basis 14.0p (18.0p). Dividend 7.14n gross (8.57p).

nil basis 14.0p (18.0p). Dividend 7.14p gross (8.57p).
Anglo-International Investment Trust: Net asset value of dividend shares at March 31 was about 35.5p, and about 276p for the asset shares.
Greencoat Properties: Group turnover for 6 months to December 31 totalled £920,000 (£2.03m). Pretax loss £50,000 (profit £2,000). No dividend (same).
Alva Investment Trust: Gross in-

Alva Investment Trust : Gross income for year to February 28 Is 5288,500 (£239,000). Net revenue £177,000 (£150,000), after tax.

Alva Investment Trust: Gross income for year to February 28 in \$288,500 (£239,000). Net revenue \$177,000 (£150,000), after tax. Earnings per share 11.04p (9.35p). Net asset value 223p (209p) per share. Dividend making 10.5p (against 9.1p). M. Mole & Sons: Turnover for 1980, £1.50m (£1.75m). Pretax loss £136,000 (loss £151,000). Loss per share 5.88p (£6.51p). Following cessation of manufacture in the hand tool division, principal acrivity of group is now undertaken in name of wholly owned subsidiary Molynx and board seeks shareholders' approval to change name of company to Molynx Holdings.

Patriller (Great Bridge): Chair.

ings.
Ratciiffs (Great Bridge): Chairman says in his annual statement
that nuless there is an easement either in recession conditions or sterling exchange rate it is difficult to see company attaining more than a break-even position for 1981.

Coronet Industrial Securities: Chairman says in his atmust review that the difficult conditions faced now are providing opportunity and spur to accelerate the changes

spur to accelerate the changes begun over a year ago.

Mount Chariotte Investments: Chairman says in his annual statement that hotels are very much better equipped than they have ever been previously. Process of improving assets is continuing and while last year benefits were not seen to any great extent, "there is no doubt that they will be seen seen to any great extent, "there is no doubt that they will be seen as time goes by," he said.

WHOLESALE PRICES Indices (1975=100) of wholesale prices of manufactured goods and the basic manufactured goods and the basic prices of the basic racturing industry published by the

Output Change in previous 6 materials and fuels (1) (2) (1) (2)

RETAIL SALES

The following are the season edjusted figures for the volume retail sales and the value of statement credit released by Department of Trade.

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4th Ot	109.1	1.959	456
1880		-0.00	
1st Qtr	110.2	2,049	535
2nd Oir	109.2	1,964	270
3rd Otr	108 9	1,923	222
4th Otr	109.0	1.790	64
1930	103.0	1.730	D4
June	109.5	675	-
July	108.5	563	108 106
Aug	109.6	613	54
Sept	108.5	557 -	
Oct	109.7		62
Nov	109.2	629	75
Dec	108.4	558	~44
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Anglo Met in takeover discussions

By Rosemary Unsworth Anglo Metropolitan Holdings, the revamped Bank and Com-mercial Holdings group, is hold-ing bid talks with First Pennsylvania Mortgage Trust, an American quoted investment trus: with property interests.

116p yesterday, capitalizing the group at £4.6m, after the shares had climbed sharply last week. The announcement was precipitated by the United States Securities and Exchange Com-mission and further details are not expected for several days. The bid is likely to be agreed

as Mr Anthony Gumbiner, chairman, and Mr Brian Troup, another director, hold 8 per cent of the Anglo equity with an option on a further 16.6 per politan, a private company.

who holds 7.6 per cent. Anglo, whose assets per share

Once the economy emerges

from the recession the group feels it will be ready to recover lost ground. It is for this reason that cuts have been kept to the minimum and the network of their jobs leaving 700 em-ployees. Costs are included in

All employees have accepted a six month pay freeze from April to September, "Because of the redundancies and the pay freeze we thought it only equitable to omit the final dividend , Mr Reed said.

The group's 30 Medicare drugstores—started with the aim of building a business less vulnerable to cyclical tradinghave shown progress over the year. Operating losses improved from 8 per cent of turnover in 1979 to 4 per cent in 1980. The group expects the stores

A recent property revalua-tion has shown a surplus of \$1.2m over net book values in addition to shareholders' funds of £5.14m. Medicare assets represent 60 per cent of shareholders' funds.

Anglo's shares gained 60 to

cent through Hallwood Metro Mr Gumbiner is also a direc-tor of First Pennsylvania. Other Anglo shareholders include

Brittania Arrow with 10 per cent and M & G Group with 9 per cent. There is also a private shareholder, Mr Rex Whittome,

capital reduction, bank support and a rights issue. Anglo's latest results are likely to be published with the details of the bid. In 1979 the group made

pretax losses of £167,000.

eral Insurance Service suspended vesterday at the company's request that negotiations are at vanced stage for the act of Andrew & Booth a tial private motor in broking company o nationally through retail The successful compl the acquisition would r

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Neil & Spencer optimistic

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is making a 53p-a-share the 52 per cent of Ruc nor already own. East acquired a further 16 cept of Ruo. the tobacco company, which its total holding, with the subsidiary, to 42.9 per Lawrie Plantation I with whom Eastern act cert, aiready owns 4.9 so a bid has been to under Rule 34 of the 1

Birmingham Mint acquisition

Birmingham Mint quired Turner and Simp Birmingham medallists, makers and silversmit £200,000 paid in cash.

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110	70	George Blair	70	-	3.1	4.4
110	59	Jackson Group	107	_	6.9	6.4
124	103	James Burrough	118	_	7.9	6.7
334	244	Robert Jenkins	320		31.3	9.8
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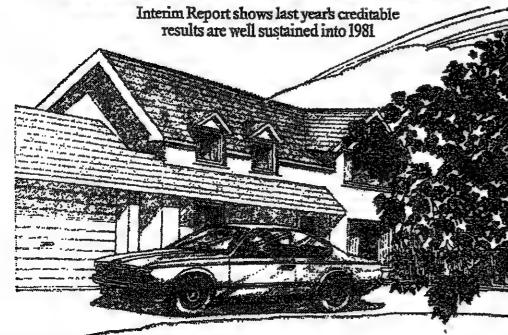
The 143rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS of THE SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INSTITUTION will be held on TUESDAY 5th MAY, 1981 at 3.00 pm in the HEAD OFFICE. 6 ST. ANDREW SQUARE, EDINBURGH EH2 2YA

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TURNOVER	PRE-TAX. PROFIT	DIVIDEND PER SHARE	DIVIDEND EXCRESSE				
£.46m	£3.7m	.85p	13.3%				

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on cocoa By Michael Press

Commodities Correspondent

Delegates from cocoa producing and consuming countries are meeting again in London this week to try to resolve the future of the International Cocoa Organisation and bring cocos agreement into operation.

Since the previous agreement expired in March, 1980, the ICCO's legal status has been tenuous. It has been drawing from reserves to finance daily operations, but the cash is runmain profit earner compared to building and civil engineering, and industrial and commercial ning low.

But today consumer members of the ILLO agreed no approach with the building societies' success in taking deposits and a cut in interest rates. The company expects to make more than to reduce these activities and the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group aims to reduce the period but the group aims to reduce these activities are the period but the group are the should be made to the Ivory Coast for setting up a group to study the price range agreed for the new international agreement

While there has been a possibility of a new agreement, delegates have voted against liquidating the ICCO. Last month they voted not to use money from the \$235m buffer stock fund. But now they face the danger of funds being ex-bausted by the end of May.

Yesterday Mr Kwesi Hack-man, the ICCO's executive Ched its cash tender ofter for St Joe Minerals, the mining company. St Joe's directors have announced that they will accept the bid, worth 560 a share for the accept the bid, worth 560 a share. St. Joe was the object last month of a £2,000m bid by Seadirector, gave delegates a paper commenting on proposals by the Ivory Coast, the world's biggest cocoa exporter, that a committee be set up to study the new agreement's price

New attempt Lasmo chairman hits at agreement at supplementary levy

The Chancellor of the Exchequer's proposals to introduce a supplementary petroleum duty have come under fire from the chairman of London & Scottish Marine Oil, Mr Geoffrey Searle, He said the supplementary duty would be detrimental to profits and cash flow and would hinder development. A more stable system of oil taxation should be devised, he says.

In his annual statement he noted that with four government levies on the United Kingdom oil industry—royalty, corpora-tion rax, PRT and SPD—the combined rate would be more than 90 per cent on the mar-ginal barrel of crude oil from a substantial field.

"Not only does an increase in taxation reduce internally generated funds which would otherwise be used for expansion", he said, "but uncertainty as to the rules and to the effects of taxation is a to discourage emerprise and investment, par-ticularly in an industry with such a long period before any return on capital is made."

He stressed that rules " more appropriate to oil industry operations and economics should be devised and that fiscal requirements should be capable of being met by changes in the rate of tax rather than by the imposition of than by the imposition of new taxes and material alterations to the existing ones ".



He also said that the integra-tion of Lasmo and OEH bad taken place smoothly and that the group was actively seeking suitable exploration and pro-duction opportunities in the United Kingdom and overseas.

Production from the North Sea reserves, in South Minian, T Block and Andrew, should start in the mid eighties. Mr Searle said be hoped that higher natural gas prices would be offered to justify development of the gas discoveries.

He added that Lasmo was also interested in further expansion of its United States activities and that the group's first dividend appearance. first dividend would be paid this year with an interim de-clared at the balfway stage.

Business appointments

Scotland bank post for Mr C M Winter

Mr Charles M. Winter has been made deputy managing director of The Royal Bank of Scotland.

Mr Graeme S. Kidd has joined the board of Christiani & Nielsea.

Mr K. K. Schwarz is the new deputy managing director of Laurence, Scott of Norwich. He is also technical director of Laurence, Scott & Electromotors. Mr D. A. Brydon is the new special products division director at Laurence. Scott & Electromotors; Mr W. G. Harvey becomes director of the service division; Mr K. C. Jackson becomes director of the comrol gear division; Mr C. R. Mortimore becomes director of the rotating machines division; and Mr T. Wardley becomes director of the foundry division.

Mr John B. Fraser has been appointed president of Morgan Grenfell Incorporated in New York. He has also become a director of Morgan Grenfell International.

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Mr Geoffrey S. Firth has become a non-executive director of Glover Brothers (Mossley), a member of the Capper Neill Group. He is managing director of Smith Wires, a part of the Hawkins and Tipson Group.

Mr David Aris is the new managing director of Tyne Shiprepair, a member of British Shipbuilders. Mr Stephen Garrod has become assistant director of the Direct Mail Producers Association.

Mr Glenn M. Irvine has joined Dolf Kohnhorst & Company in London as senior pariner.

Mr George Carruthers has been made deputy chief executive of the National Bus Company. Mr Irvin Dahron becomes a full-time member of the company from the same date. His board appointment will run until December 31, 1984. Mr Derek Fytche managing director of the NBC substituty London Country Bus Services, will become regional director in the south-east region on May 1 and joins the

Country Bus Services, will become regional director in the south-east region on May 1 and joins the board of NEC management.

Dr P. J. K. Webster is now director of finance of the Dover Harbour Board.

Mr J. L. Geddes is the new chairman of Cape Insulation. Mr Geddes as managing director.

Dr S. J. Ford becomes deputy managing director of The British Aluminian Company.

Mr Richard Barclay Smith has joined the board of Lowland investment Company.

Mr Young Pung How has re-signed as a director of Sime Darby Berhad following secondment to a Singapore Government Corpora-Mr D. A. G. Monk is now on he board of Linfood Holdings.

Mr A. M. Edis has joined the board of Supra Group.

Str John Wordie has been elected president of the Burma Share-bolders Action Group.

Mr Anthony Rentoul has joined the partnership of D. J. Freeman & Company, solicitors.

Mr Nigel H. McLean has been made chief executive of Newman Indestries.

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Mr Douglas B. Kemp, managing director of W. S. Cowell, the printing and publishing division of Grampian Holdings, and Mr Hugh Stevenson, financial director of the

printing and publishing division of Grampian Holdings, and Mr Hugh Stevenson, financial director of the group's transport division, have joined the Grampian main board. Dr John Ginarlis is joining the partnership of Quilter Hilton Goodison & Company.

Mr Bill Coppen-Gardner has been made a director of the Association of Independent Radio Contractors from May 5.

Mr Ian Dunkley, managing director of Datron Interform has been elected as chairman of the Computer Retailers Association.

The board of Finaboard (UK) has been reconstituted and consists of Mr Jari Kühler and Mr Auti Koukola. respectively managing director and administrative director of Finaboard, Helsinki, and Mr Michael Bishop, managing director, and Mr Bertel Paulig, deputy managing director of Finaboard (UK).

Mr Alon Guest is to become chairman of the Manchester local board of Barclays Rank and senior local director of the bank's Manchester district. He has also been made a director of Barclays Bank UK. Mr Guest succeeds Mr Tom Ashton on June 30. Mr Ashton will remain a director of Barclays Bank Mr Richard Groom, Galeway Bulding Society's regional manager in Benford, is moving to the society's head office in Worthing, to take up the new post as assistant general manager (development).

Mr Richard Porter has been made director of Farclays and general manager (development).

Mr Richard Porter has been made a director of Reed Stenhouse Marketing.
Mr C. G. Boyd becomes a deputy
chairman of Brickheuse Dudley.

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Earlier gains in cocoa futures, averaging \$8.00, were pared in 66) Sales, 1.971 lots, including averaging 25.00, were pared in the late session yesterday by 145.00; land, 155.00; 149.00; 149.00; 150.00; 149.00; 150.00; 140.00; 15 per tonne. Turnover was 1,710 lots, including 200 lots crossed and seven options.

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25,661-1 Stocks in London Metal Exchange official warehouses at the end of last week (all in tonnes except silver, which is in troy ounces): Copper fell 875 to 116,150: The rose 540 to 6,105; Lead fell 475 to 50,450; Zinc fell 150 to 68,700: Aluminium fell 625 to 42,500; Nickel fell 240 to 3,390; Silver fell 140,000 to 24,11m.

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Discount

Indices

Sterling 99.7
US dollar 101.5
Canadian dollar 86.3
Schilling 115.8
Belgian franc 107.7
Danish kroner 89.1
Deutsche mark 120.6
Swiss franc 134.3
Gulider 112.1
French franc 86.7
Lira 50.4
Yen 143.4

No intervention was required of the Bank of England yesterday. There were signs of surplus from the outset and rates stayed within a band of 11½ per cent for much of the day. Some houses were able to pick up cheaper balances down to 11 per cent at one stage, but the situation was patchy at the finish, with books ruled off eventually anywhere between 112 and 12 per cent.

Sterling was under pressure throughout nost of yesterday's selling of prounds, Some heavy commercial selling opening the morning prompted support from the Bank of England, when the graph at the final criculation finished off the bottom at 93.7, after 98.4 at noon and compared with 99.5 at Friday's close.

Speculation that there may be another reduction in MLR shortly if the mid-March money shortly if the mid-March money bolstered by a higher Eurodullar encouraging, was a principal fac-

Sterling: Spot and Forward Market rates (day grange) Market rates (close)



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Foreign exchange report

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Sharp rise at Metallgesellschaft

Dresdner Bank plunges Consolidated net profits of the Dresduer Bank group declined by 26.4 per cent to DM1203.8m (544.3m) in 1980 while group assets climbed by only 1.8 per cent to DM123,500m, the bank said in Frankfurt.

Net Hans Friderichs, the the making any profit or dividend projection for 1981, arguing that such a prediction was profit of the personnel. He noted that in 1980, the ence between interest received

Net profits of the parent bank slumped by 25.2 per cent to DM154.9m with assets declining by about 2.4 per cent to DM75,500m.

Because of the lower earnings, Dresdner plans to cut the 1980 dividend to DM6 from DM9 in 1979.

had contracted to an average 2 per cent from 2.2 per cent in 1979. But, he said, in the first two months of the current year, the situation improved a little. DM9 in 1979.

Parent company net profits of Metallgesellschaft rose sharply to DM40.8m (£8.9m) in the year to last September 30 from DM16.8m the year before, the company said yesterday in Frankfurt. Parent company turnover increased 19 DM7,000m from DM6,200m. Herr Werner Busch, the finance director, said that in both the chemicals and transport sectors, the high levels of results last year probably could be maintained.

The group declined to forecast earnings this year. Last

Factoring venture

Bank of America and Nippon Shinpan, a Japanese consumer credit company, have decided to set up a joint factoring company into Japan. The new company, tentatively colled International Factoring, will be He noted that in 1980, the established in May and will so interest spread, or the differinto business in June.

It will be owned 45 per cent each by Nippon Shinpen and by BA Finance (Japan), a wholly owned Bank of America subsidiary. The rest will be owned by Japanese interests.

Wall Street

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New York, April 6.—Stocks closed sharply lower as the New York Stock Exchange index feil 0.85 to 77.29 and the average price per share 40 cents.

The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 12.87 to 994.24 and declines led advances 1.231 to 359 as turnover slowed to 43,190,000 shares from 48,680,000 Friday.

US commodities

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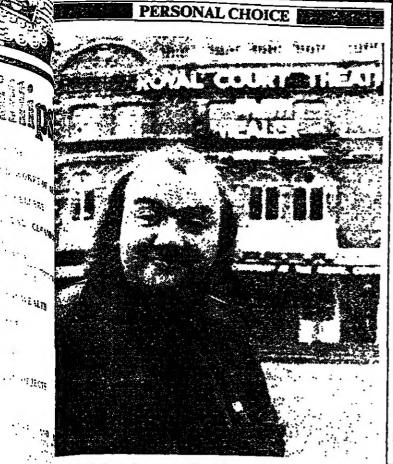
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WHF RADIOS 1 and 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2: 10.00 pm With Radio 1: 12.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

World Service

Radio 2

Radio 1



A Smith introduces the Omnibus programme celebrating English Stage Company's 25-year stay at the Royal wrt (BBC 1, 10.40 pm)

Three years ago Dr Rob Buckman was the star of Yorkshire 's comedy series The Pink Medicine Show; the presenter of ir top-rated science programme Don't Ask Me; wrote for a mber of magazines and was a frequent guest on the Start the ek programme. On top of all this he was a senior registrar at a ding London hospital. Suddenly he began to experience pain in right wrist. Later it spread to his hand, his eyes became odshot and felt gritty, red lumps appeared on his shins and he as saffering from a rathritis in all his joints. He realised he was fering from a rare disease in which the body's defences had been diraitor and attacked his body. Your Own Worst Enemy fering from a rare disease in which the body's defences had paed traitor and attacked his body. Your Own Worst Enemy V 10.30 pm) is a film about how Rob Buckman fought against illness with the help of two doctors, Professors Deborah much and Ivan Roitt. The programme is lucky in having so iculate a victim because his descriptions of the worsening appears, although seen by the camera, convey more of the rary and frustration than flat film. Simple jobs for the healthy lights opening and squeezing a tube of toothpaste become replem tasks. Rob Buckman's refusal to give in to the disease he object lesson for all sufferers.

the Smith, the versatile comedian and stalwart member of the the Nine O'Clock News team, takes us backstage at London's val Court Theatre. The Omnibus programme Parrots, Bees, ciss and Finches (BBC 1, 10.40 pm) celebrates 25 years of the glish Stage Company and at first glance the choice of Smith ms very odd. We soon learn that it isn't. His first job after sing down from university was as an assistant director at the grt and his intimate knowledge of the Theatre itself and the ple that worked there make him an excellent link-man. There one wonderful film of Olivier as Archie Rice; excerpts from, ong others, Look Back in Anger plus an interview with John write as well as other leading writers for the Royal Court. The little of the programme refers to the grading system devised by management for playwrights. If you were a Parrot you were Mel Smith, the versatile comedian and stalwart member of the

Vearly everybody, I would imagine, has seen the Yorkshire es even if only on the television series All Creatures Great and all. It seems a beautiful part of the country — green, timeless unchanging. But all is not as it seems. In Radio 4's The mging Dales (7.50 pm) we are given a portrait of Upper uskydale as told by the people who live there. What they tell us hat there have been major changes to the look of the landscape r the years and not all of it for the better.

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Broadcasting Guide

Edited by Peter Dear

TELEVISION

BBC 1 6.40 am Open University: Allostery; 7.05 Thermal Analysis; 7.30 Evolution: Early Life. Closedown at 7.55. 12.45 pm News. 1.03 Pebble Mill at One.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One. Included today is a performance by members of the Chinese Martial Arts team. 1.45 The Flumps (r). Closedown at 2.00. 3.20 Peobol y Cwm. Welsh serial. 3.55 Play School (shown earlier on BBC 2). 4.20 Godzilla. A new series of cartoon adventures featuring a prehistoric monster. 4.40 What's the Idea. Wilf Lunn with some more incredible inven-

some more incredible inven-tions. 5.05 John Craven's News-round. 5.10 Children of Fire Mountain. Part six of the 13-episode serial based in New Zealand at the turn of the

century.

5.40 News read by Richard
Whitmore. 5.55 Regional news
magazines. 6.20 Nationwide
visits Rochdalc. Also in the programme is Bill Kerr Ellion's report on the activities of the Animal Liberation Front. 6.45 Rolf Barris Cartoon Time. Three cartoons featuring Tom

and Jerry (r). 7.15 Taxi. One of the comical cab drivers becomes emotionally involved with an out-of-work actress. 7.40 Wildlife on One: What Price the Countryside? David Attenborough introduces a special edition devoted to the conflict between efficient farming and the preservation of wildlife. In the studio with him are conservationists David Bellamy, Richard Mabey and Lord Melchett together with Sir Ralph Verney of the Nature Conservancy Council and John Hooson of the NFU.

Jack accepts an offer from an old flame and agrees to stay at her house in the north.

9.00 News read by Richard Baker. 9.25 Play: The Good Time Girls by Alan Clews. Boredom comes to two wives whose husbands are working on oil rigs. They go out and have affairs with a couple of casual pick-ups with

disastrous results for one of 10.40 Omnibus: Parrots, Bees, Ducks and Finches. Mel Smith takes a look back at 25 years of the English Stage Company

based at the Royal Court. (See Personal Choice.)
11.33 News Headlines
11.35 Platform One. The second of two discussions between Vladimir Pozner, a leading commentator from Moscow, and Robert Kaiser of the Washington Post With Fred Emery of The Times in the chair they talk about the respective merits of their two countries.

12.05 am Weather.

Regions 8.10 When the Boat Comes in.

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New London Theatre, 9.45 One Man and his Dog. Wyn

Edwards from Wales and David Brady from Ireland compete for

a place in the final of the single dog competition and Thomas Longton of England challenges Scotland's Dick Fortune in the

Brace Championship. 10.25 International Snooker.

BBC 2

6.40 am Open University: The Einstein Tower, 7.05 Josh's File; 7.30 History of Mathemarile; 7.30 ristory of Mathema-tics. Closedown at 7.55. 11.00 Play School. James Blades tells the tale of Ting Ling's Xylophone for young viewers. Closedown at 11.25.

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2.15 International Snooker.
David Vine introduces live coverage and highlights of the World Professional Snooker Championship which begins today at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield. Further coverage may be seen at 6.55, 10.25 and 11.30.

4.50 Open University: Minimum Cost Flows; 5.15 Drawings of Seurat; 5.40 Crystals; 6.05 Song of Sixpence; 6.30 Energy: A Question of Balance. 6.55 International Snooker.

7.25 News including sub-titles for the hard-of-hearing.
7.40 The Hollywood Greats. Barry Norman takes a look at the career of Edward G. Robinson (r). 8.30 Hooked! The second heat of the coarse angling tourna-ment from Edgbaston Reservoir, Birmingham. The celebrity presenter is Donny MacLeod. 9.00 Billie Jo Spears. A record-

10.45 Newsnight. The latest news plus an analysis of stories that made today's headlines. 11.30 International Snooker. The last visit of the day to the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, for highlights of the first day's play. David Vine is the presenting of the concert given by the American country singer at the The programme ends at

Eastern Turkey. 10.20 Me and Dad's New Wife. How 12-yearold Nina learns to live with her divorced father and his new wife. 11.05 Mr Speaker. A profile of the Speaker of the House of Commons (r). 11.30 At the Embankment. A concert by the Irish folk group The Bothy Band. (r). 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 pm Pipkins. Edu-cational puppers. 12.30 The Sullivans, Drama series about an Australian family during

World War Two.
1,00 News. 1,20 Thames News
with Robin Houston.
1,30 Crown Court. 2,00 After Noon Plus. Kay Avila reports on how the life of Pauline Carter

incurable Huntingdon's Chorea.

2.45 The Mallens. Another episode in the serial based on the first hydrogen bomb (r). Set in nineteenth-century Norsome of the inhabitants of Eastern Turkey. 10.20 Magnetic Miller.

4.15 Five Magic Minutes with Terry Herbert - 4.20 Take a Chance. 4.45 Ace Reports. Nonstop news and live action for young people. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. Sam Pearson returns from his hols to hear some nasty rumours about Jack Sugden. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner and Rita

Carter. 6.25 Help! The Baby Killer Scandal introduced by Viv Taylor Gee. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Looks Familiar. Denis Norden takes his guests Roy Hudd, John Inman and Leslie Sarony down memory lane when they talk about the stars and her family has been and the acts of the Thirties and affected by the hereditary and Forties. 7.30 Bognor. Our

reluctant sleuth is still on the trail of canine-loving crooks. 8.00 Charlie's Angels. The toothsome threesome investi-gate dubious goings-on in a taxi

company.

9.00 Play: Cupid's Darts by
David Nobbs. A philosophy
professor's life is diverted when
he meets a darts groupie on a
train journey. Robin Bailey and
Leslie Ash play the leading

10.00 News.
10.30 Your Own Worst Enemy.
Dr Rob Buckman tells the story
of how his body suddenly
turned against him and we
follow his fight against the
disease over the months and
years (see Personal Choice).
11.30 Rockstage. Two groups
recorded at the Theatre Royal,
Nottingham. The first half sees
the all-girl group, Girlschool,
the second, Motorhead.
12.25 am Close with Rosalind
Runcie reading from Dante's
Inferno.

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6.00 am Nows Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today.
6.30 Today.
7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Headlines.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
9.00 News.
9.05 Tuesday Call.
10.00 News.
10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 Story: The Open Road, by Jennifer Gubb.

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10.45 Story: The Open Road, by Jennifer Gubb.
11.00 News.
11.05 Play: The Eyelids of Bodhidharma, by Mavis Smith. †
11.35 Wildlife.
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.20 Down Your Way.
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 The House of Mirth (3/†
4.00 Science through the Looking Glass (3).

Radio 4

Glass (3). 4.15 Home Ground. 4.45 Serial: Greenwich, by Susan Cooper (1).
5.00 PM.
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.30 Brain of Britain†
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 The Hitch-Hikers Guide to the Galaxy, by Douglas Adams (1).

7.20 The Hirch-Hikers Guide to the Galaxy, by Douglas Adams (1), †
7.50 The Changing Dales, (See Personal Choice) †
8.35 Love's Old Sweet Song (5),
9.05 In Touch,
9.30 Kaleidoscope,
10.00 The World Tonight,
10.30 Cliche (4)†
11.00 Story: The Blessing, by Graham Greene,
11.15 Financial World Tonight,
11.30 News,
12.15 am-12.23 Shipping forecast,
VHF

10.30 am-10.45 Listen with Mother.

11.00 pm Study on 4: Euromagazine
— Edition Francaise (3).
11.30-12.10 am Open University:
Alcibizdes; Welfarism — Britain and

Radio 3 6.55 am Weather.

7.05 Records: Vivaldi, Schubert, Mozart (Sym 40), Vaughan Wil-liams.† 8.00 News. 9.00 News.

9.05 Week's Composers: The Court of the Sun King.† 9.45 Ensemble (Melkust: M. Haydn, Schubert, Mozart (incl K334).† 11.30 BBC Singers/Poole: Warlock, G. Bush, Rutter, Moeran, Grainger, 12.05 pm BBCSO/I. Edelson, pt 1: Elgar, Schumann (Pno Conc — Figar, Sci Franki).† 1.00 News.

1.05 Six Continents. 1.25 BBCSO, pt 2: Borodin (Sym 2).+ 2.00 Choir, guitar. Castelnuovo Tedesco.† 2.35 Violin, piano: Steffen, Schu-mann (op 121). † 3.20 Singcircle/Rose: Emmerson, Cage, Barton, Berberian, Berio. †

4.25 Jazz Today, † 4.25 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure, †
7.00 The Poetry of John Donne (2),
7.30 Berlin POJD, Nazareth, pt 1:
Beethoven (Pno Conc 1—Brendel),
† 8.10 What Books I Please. 8.30 BPO, pt 2: Dvorak (Sym 8), † 9.15 Conversation: Harold Brown. 10.00 Violin, piano (Rosenberg/Crowson): Beethoven (op 30 po 3), Stravinsky, Schubert, †

11.00 News. 11.05-11.15 Record: Sibelius.†

> S.55 am-6.55 Open University: Debussy's Jeux; Europe — Conflict and Stability 1789-1870. The Growth of Public Expenditure;
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MANZO.—On April 5th, at Wycombe Hospital, to Marcello and Caroline (pre Sciler)—a daughter Clemency Hornils Francesca—a Marwell.—On 4th April, at Quren Charlete, to Anne (nee Burant) and Charlete—a son. No flowers, by request, Private inserting and Paul, funeral inserting and paul, at Chilton House, Bucks, Aged 72, Ray, widow of Irasi, issoriis and dear mother of Lucy, Nicholas, Paul, Sandy and Naoini, Cremalion at Oxford on 8th April at 11,30 and, April, 1981, peaceting and Charles and Charles Arheitus, window of Stanhone Henry, Southampion, Bermuda, Charles Arheitus, Southampion, Bermuda, on Wednesday, April 6th, Family flowers only. and Charles—a son.

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